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Sarvodaya Day in City

Prof. Sheik Ali seeks Peace Chair in Mysore University

Former VC of Mangalore and Goa Universities Prof. B. Sheik Ali, In-charge VC of Mysore Varsity Prof. C. Basavaraju, Registrar D. Bharathi and others offering floral tribute to the bust of Gandhiji on the occasion of Sarvodaya Day in city this morning. Picture right shows participants taking oath on truth and non-violence.

Mysuru, Jan.30 (MTY&NNN)- "In today's world of conflicts with bomb blasts killing thousands of innocent people, the time has come to overcome this by peace resolutions and I have been suggesting setting up of a Peace Chair in the University of Mysore since a long time. However, I am disappointed that no one is prepared to hear my voice," said nonagenarian Prof. B. Sheik Ali, former Vice-Chancellor of Goa and Mangalore Universities. He was speaking after inaugurating the 70th Sarvodaya Day (Martyrs Day) organised by Centre for Gandhian Studies and Department of Social Work at the Gandhi Bhavan in Manasagangothri campus, here this morning.

"India is the best country in the world, Karnataka is the best State in the country, Mysuru is the best city in State and Gandhi Bhavan Study Centre in Manasagangothri campus is the best department," said Prof. Ali.

(See SARVODAYA on page 9)

Thalassery-Mysuru Railway Line

Centre has not approved project: Pratap Simha

MP requests CM Siddu to say no to Kerala Chief Secretary

Mysuru-Kodagu MP Pratap Simha seen with Union Railway Minister Piyush Goyal in New Delhi this morning.

New Delhi, Jan. 30- Even as people of Kodagu are vehemently opposing the two Railway lines (Thalassery-Mysuru via South Kodagu and Hunsur-Periyapatna-Kushalnagar-Madikeri-Mangaluru), Member of Parliament Pratap Simha, speaking to *Star of Mysore* this morning said that he had met Railway Minister Piyush Goyal regarding the Railway line and the Minister informed him that the Centre has not approved the Railway line.

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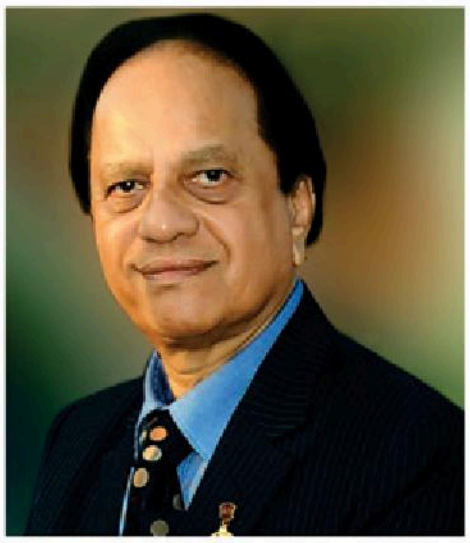

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Mysuru, Tuesday 30th January 2018

To be or not to be? That is the question

In a overheard brief exchange of pleasantries between two elderly relatives hailing from the same village, both well past their eighties, one of them a dropout in primary school and the other retired for many years after service in the government, the diverse outlook to life (and death) was witnessed. The interaction lasted barely a couple of minutes after the two octogenarians came face-to-face in the lounge of the residence of the dropout, even as the younger members of the latter's household watched expectantly. The host, not given to indulge in much camaraderie, blurted out *chalo, vaikuntaku jaana* (Let us depart), seemingly offering himself to be the journeyman of his pal of several decades in the cherished trip to the other world, obviously one way! The instant response he got for his *honestly* stated plan of taking leave of this mortal world was hard-hitting, namely "He is talking nonsense, let us get out of here!!," clearly hinting about his unpreparedness to undertake that final one-way trip from here to nowhere. His verdict in answer to the phrase in the play *Hamlet* by William Shakespeare, namely *"To be or not to be, that is the question"* was decidedly 'To be.'

The two true-to-life characters in the aforementioned narrative didn't live for more than a few months after their brief meeting. The doctors who were attending to their afflictions, much to the relief of their survivors in the family, remarked that one of them died due to *age-related* health problems and the other due to *life-style* ailments, in an apparent oversimplification of connect between life and death.

While longevity or short-life of an individual has eluded to be pre-determined so far, life expectancy of a given population in different countries, as an *index* of its state of wellness (or extending the date of death) is expressed by demographers in numbers even to the first decimal point. In case of India, its people as a whole have reportedly gained nearly a *decade* of life expectancy since 1990, improving from 59.7 years then to 70.3 years in 2016 for women and from 58.3 years to 66.9 for men. These flattering numbers, in a certain sense, apply to the 1.3 billion headcount of the land like the army *uniform* which fits everybody in the army in *general* but nobody in *particular*. The years that anyone lives beyond the aforementioned calculated figures shall be deemed as a sort of *bonus* one earns in life in exercising care and caution in the matter of food habits and living conditions.

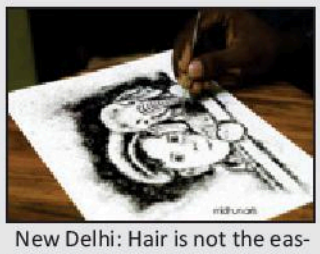
In the backdrop of the foregoing points relating to life and death, the question of *to be or not to be* has got overshadowed by many well-marked contributors to shortening of life while *pollution* (in its widest meaning) and *malnutrition* are not only conspicuous but also left grossly unaddressed by people at large and administration.

EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

THE CASE OF MISSING SPOONS: ***Indira Canteens, the Karnataka government's flagship initiative to offer affordable food to the urban poor, are facing a peculiar problem: missing spoons. This, despite having a system to issue coupons against every meal ordered and CCTVs to monitor the outlets. The chain of popular eateries, modelled on Tamil Nadu's Amma Canteens, is struggling to replenish the missing spoons. For now the government might have to grin and bear it as it prepares for the Assembly elections in a few months.*** *— In Business Standard.*

NEWS SPARKLERS

Portraits using human hair !



New Delhi: Hair is not the easiest art medium to work with, especially when you're trying to create detailed portraits of people and animals, but young Indian artist R.R.Midhun had developed a technique that allows him to manipulate thousands of short hair strands into impressive artworks.

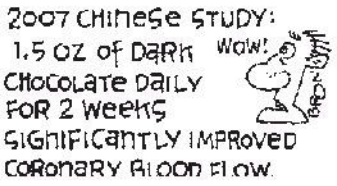
All Midhun needs to create his art is some hair, obviously, a white sheet of paper for canvas and a long needle to manipulate the tiny hairs. To make it easier for himself he has the hair chemically treated before using it. The hair strands are then cut at various lengths, depending on the image he is trying to create, and carefully arranged on the paper canvas using the needle. Once Midhun is satisfied with the result, the artwork is sandwiched between two glass panes for long-term preservation. "I have developed my own form of monochromatic art which involves the use of hair as the sole element," Midhun writes on his blog.

What to say about this !

Berlin: Arthur Wagner, a leading member of Alternative für Deutschland (AfD), a far-right German political party whose slogan is "Islam doesn't belong in Germany," recently resigned after converting to Islam. Originally created as an anti-euro party, the AfD has recently campaigned on an anti-Muslim, anti immigration platform, strongly criticising Chancellor Angela Merkel's decision to allow over a million refugees into Germany, since 2015. Just last summer, Arthur Wagner, who sat on the party's executive committee in the State of Brandenburg, accused Merkel of "making a big mistake" by allowing so many Muslim refugees into the country, and warned that "Germany is mutating into a different country." On January 11th, he left the party citing personal reasons, but it was later revealed that he had converted to Islam. Andreas Kalbitz, AfD's chairman in Brandenburg told CNN that he only learned about Arthur Wagner's conversion during a telephone conversation with him after the unexpected resignation.

HEALTH CAPSULE by Bron Smith

What are the healthiest high-fat foods?



Just because it's high in fat doesn't mean it's not healthy. Healthy high-fat foods include: Avocados, whole eggs, fatty fish like salmon and sardines, cheese, dark chocolate, nuts, chia seeds, extra virgin olive oil, coconut, coconut oil and full-fat yogurt.

**Health Capsules is not intended to be of a diagnostic nature.*

Gold medallists of Vidya Vikas

Swathi *Vidyashree*

Mysuru, Jan. 30-Vidya Vikas Institute of Engineering and Technology (VVIET) students — S.V. Swathi, post-graduate student of Digital Electronics and Communication Systems, P.K. Vidyashree, post-graduate student of Computer Aided Design of Structures — have bagged the first rank (Gold Medal) in M. Tech from Visvesvaraya Technological University (VTU), Belagavi. Swathi and Vidyashree were awarded Gold medal during the 17th Annual Convocation of VTU held at Belagavi recently.

Rank holders in Kidovators Creativity Olympiad

Mysuru, Jan.30-Students from NPSI, Mysuru, participated in the Kidovators - Creativity Olympiad which was held in Bengaluru recently. Three students from class IX and one student from class VII represented NPSI Mysuru in the final round of the all India level competition.

Nageshwar of class IX secured the first rank and won a cash prize of Rs. 15,000 while Janak Sunil of class IX secured the fifth rank and Shashank Raj of class IX secured the tenth rank.

Manjunatha Sajjanar of class VII secured fourth rank in the competition. NPSI Mysuru was declared 'The Most Enterprising School'.

Really...?

- ***Chinese woman had four balloons implanted in her face to treat a birthmark.***
- ***In March of 2017, Yan's facial mole started causing pain. Doctors recommended that the mole be removed as there was a chance it could become cancerous.***

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VOICE OF THE READER

Set right road hump near DC's Office

Sir,

The road hump provided just adjacent to the DC's Office building is not scientifically designed one. Moreover, the installation of such humps on roads is mere violation of Supreme Court's recent verdict.

Adding to the above, failure to mark and maintain these road humps periodically by authorities concerned, with bright white coloured Zebra stripes for easy identification by vehicle riders from a distance, is again, another violation. Hope the authorities concerned will do the needful at the earliest.

—Nagamangala Narasimha Murthy

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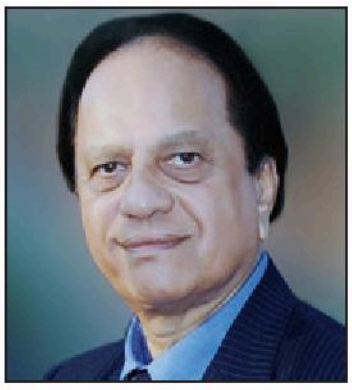
Former MRC Chairman

Dr. Rajendra Prasad passes away

Mysuru, Jan. 30- Dr. R. Rajendra Prasad (70), former Chairman of Mysore Race Club (MRC) and a resident of Kuvempunagar, passed away in Bengaluru early this morning following a brief illness.

He leaves behind his wife, a daughter and a host of relatives and friends.

Profile: Born in Bengaluru, Dr. Rajendra Prasad did his MD at Mysore Medical College and served the Institution for 37 long years before retiring in 2004 as HoD - Medicine.



Dr. R. Rajendra Prasad

A Member of Mysore Race Club Ltd., since 1992, he served as Steward and Chairman of the Club from 1.10.2015 to 18.8.2016.

Funeral took place this afternoon at Wilson Garden Crematorium in Bengaluru.

[Family can be contacted on Mob: 93421-11730].

Lifestyle launches its first store in Mysuru

Mysuru, Jan. 30- Lifestyle, India's most preferred fashion destination, has opened its first store in Mysuru at the Forum Centre City Mall, making it the 67th store in the country. The store was inaugurated by actress Pranitha Subhash.

The newly-launched 40,000 sq. ft. Lifestyle Store in city offers a great value proposition and a memorable retail experience. The store is spread over two floors which will offer shoppers widespread collection, trendy product portfolio, youthful and vibrant interiors and a seamless shopping experience.

Part of Dubai-based retail and hospitality conglomerate, Landmark Group, Lifestyle is renowned for offering customers the right blend of national and international brands in a lively and vibrant shopping environment at accessible prices.

The store brings together under one roof apparel, footwear and handbags, kidswear, beauty and make-up, fragrances as well as accessories, making it a one-stop fashion destination.

At the store, customers can choose from a wide variety of brands. Brands like Pepe Jeans, Forca, Ed Hardy, Code, Van Heusen, Kappa, Indian Terrain, Jack and Jones among others, cater to menswear needs.

Women can explore trendy and stylish collections from Melange, Ginger, Global Desi, Fame Forever, Levis and more. Not only clothing but the newly Lifestyle store will have abundance of options in terms of footwear, kidswear, fragrances and accessories as well.

Kabir Lumba, Managing Director, Lifestyle International (P) Ltd. and actress Pranitha Subhash spoke on the occasion. Lifestyle is now also available online through *lifestylestores.com*.

SSLC preparatory exam postponed

Mysuru, Jan. 30 (US)- The first preparatory examination for the 10th standard conducted by the Mysuru District Head Masters and Composite PU College Principals Association scheduled to commence from yesterday has been postponed due to unavoidable circumstances and will be held from Feb. 6 to 12 excluding Feb. 11, Sunday being a holiday.

The revised time-table is as follows:

Feb. 6	**First Language**	**1.30 pm to 4.30 pm**
Feb. 7	**Mathematics**	**1.30 pm to 4.30 pm**
Feb. 8	**Second Language**	**1.30 pm to 4 pm**
Feb. 9	**Science**	**1.30 pm to 4.30 pm**
Feb. 10	**Third Language**	**1.30 pm to 4 pm**
Feb. 12	**Social Science**	**1.30 pm to 4.30 pm.**

The time-table should be strictly followed. The Heads of the institutions should personally come to collect the question papers. Question papers will be distributed from 10 am to 11 am on the examination day for schools / colleges in all taluks excluding those in Mysuru city and taluk at the respective taluk centres.

For schools / colleges in Mysuru city and taluk, the question papers will be distributed from 8.30 am to 10 am at Gurubhavana, behind Veene Seshanna Bhavana, Adichunchanagiri Road, Kuvempunagar, Mysuru.

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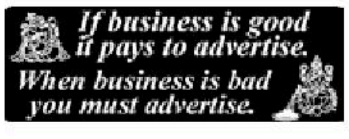

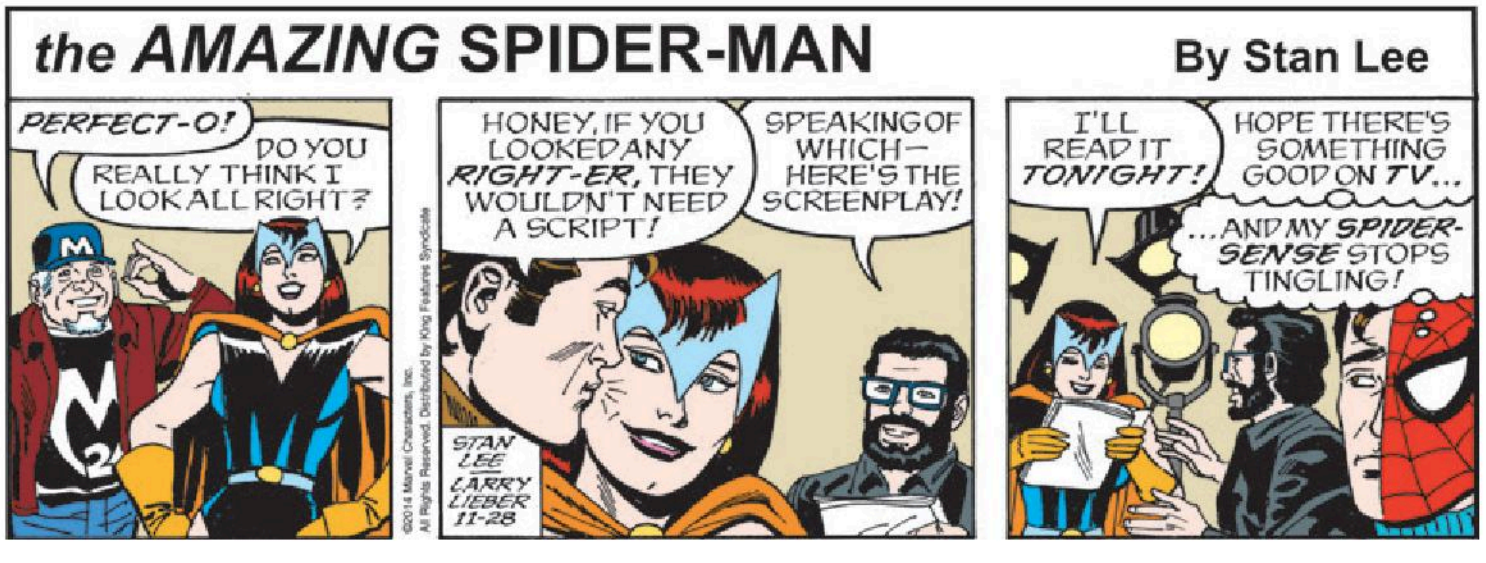
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NEWS BRIEFS

Book release this evening

'Mahabhikshuki', a social novel written by writer and columnist Prasanna Hegde, will be released at a programme to take place at Maneyangala in Kalamandira at 4.30 pm today (Jan.30). The novel throws light on the life and plight of beggars and how the society views them. KSGH Music & Performing Arts University Registrar Dr. Niranjan Vanalli will release the book. Littérateur Dr. Malali Vasanthakumar will preside. The book release will be followed by a Kavigoshti (Poets Meet) and felicitation to social worker K. Raghuram.

World Peace Day

St. Joseph's Cathedral (St. Philomena's Church) has organised 'World Peace Day' celebration at its premises today at 6.30 pm. Bishop of Mysore Dr. K.A. William will preside. Gandhi Bhavan (Manasagangothri) Director Prof. M.A. Shekar and MESCO Educational Institutions Secretary Prof. Shabbir Mustafa will be the chief guests. Most Rev. C. Rayappa and Most. Rev. Wesley Morase will be the guests of honour.

MCC meeting tomorrow

Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) has organised a meeting tomorrow at 12 noon at the Council Hall to elicit suggestions from the public for MCC Budget 2018-19 which will be chaired by Mayor T. Bhagyavati.

Training for women

Sri Lakshmi Women's Training Institute is offering fashion designing, beautician, tailoring and Spoken English courses with employment opportunity for women. Those interested may contact #39, Theobald Road, Nazarbad, Mysuru - 10 or call Mob: 99452-90302 or 99459-88284.

Annual Meeting of Kunchitigara Sangha

The Annual General body Meeting (AGM) of Kunchitigara Sangha will be held on Feb.4 at 11 am at Alamma Choultry on Dewan's Road in city. Members should attend with their ID card of Sangha. The AGM will be chaired by Administrative Officer J. Vikram Raj Urs. [Ph: 0821-2422973]

Bags gold medal

K.V. Priyanka, MA student of Maharani's Arts and Commerce College for Women, Mysuru, has bagged 'B.S. Raghunathaiah Memorial Gold Medal' in History by scoring 89/100 marks. The medal will be conferred at the 98th Annual Convocation of University of Mysore, according to a press release from the University.

HC stays construction of

Sri Shivarathri Rajendra Swamiji statue

Mysuru, Jan.30 (SBD&BCT)- The Karnataka High Court has stayed the construction of Sri Shivarathri Rajendra Swamiji statue in front of JSS Mahavidyapeetha near Gun House, the foundation of which was laid by Chief Minister Siddharamaiah on Aug.29. The statue is being constructed by Sri Shivarathri Rajendra Swamiji Centenary Celebrations Committee.

Karnataka Ursu Sangha and Akhila Bharatiya Kshatriya Mahasabha had filed a Public Interest Litigation (PIL) in the High Court against the construction of the statue. Hearing the PIL, the Divisional Bench of Acting Chief Justice, Justice H.G. Ramesh and Justice P.S. Dinesh Kumar stayed the construction.

In its appeal, the Urs Sangha told the High Court that it had approached the Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) to establish the statue of Srikantadatta Narasimharaja Wadiyar near the Gun House. The MCC had agreed to the proposal and even passed a resolution in this regard. Later, Srikantadatta Narasimharaja Wadiyar's statue was approved by the State Cabinet to be set up near the Gun House.

Before the Cabinet approval, it was brought to the notice of the authorities, as per the Supreme Court directive, statues of religious leaders cannot be established in places of public utility. Despite this, the Cabinet approved the construction. Along with the Ursu Sangha's appeal to place the statue of Srikantadatta Narasimharaja Wadiyar, Sri Shivarathri Rajendra Swamiji Centenary Celebrations Committee had also appealed to the MCC to install the statue of their religious leader near the Gun House.

The place that has been earmarked to construct the statue of Sri Shivarathri Rajendra Swamiji near the Gun House Circle.

The Ursu Sangha had contended in the Court that responding to its plea, the District Administration had said that statues cannot be constructed in public places. The petitioners questioned the move of MCC to go ahead with the Sri Shivarathri Rajendra Swamiji when it has quoted the Supreme Court order when the Ursu Sangha had appealed to install the statue of Srikantadatta Narasimharaja Wadiyar.

The petitioners said that installation of Srikantadatta Narasimharaja Wadiyar's statue near the Gun House (Southern side of the Mysore Palace) will be in line with the tradition of installing the statues of three other erstwhile kings which are installed on the Eastern, Western and Northern circles leading to the Mysore Palace. They contended that the decision to construct the statue of Sri Shivarathri Rajendra Swamiji at that particular place was purely political, thereby belittling the contribution of the erstwhile kings and their successors.

Nandeesh G. Urs of the Ursu Sangha, T.K. Subramanyaraje Urs of Aramane Ulisi Horata Samiti and Sridhar Raje Urs of Kshatriya Mahasabha have welcomed the High Court stay.

Customised Bus for Rahul Gandhi's Karnataka tour

Rahul Gandhi

Bengaluru, Jan.30 (KMS&NNN)- A specially designed bus that is fully loaded is getting ready for All India Congress Committee (AICC) President Rahul Gandhi to launch his campaign for the forthcoming Assembly elections in the State.

The AICC has made this arrangement to attract the voters, as Rahul Gandhi has taken the elections in Karnataka very seriously.

"The customised bus, considered lucky by top Congress leaders because of the party's impressive performance during recent Assembly polls in Gujarat, will be used by party President Rahul Gandhi to criss-cross the State during his three-day election-eve tour of Hyderabad-Karnataka region commencing on Feb.10," said a source in the Congress party.

The bus arrived in the city a few days ago and is being guarded by Policemen at Palace Grounds. If Gandhi uses the aeroplane or helicopter then he will not be able to connect directly with the masses. During his yatra, he will hold small public meetings, street-corner sabhas and visit important places that will fall on the route and hence it is decided to use the bus, said the source.

The air-conditioned bus, complete with a mini conference hall-cum-sleeping room and a toilet has several other features. Bengaluru City Development Minister K.J. George has been given the task of getting the bus modified that includes painting and tinkering. It is fitted with cameras and a public address system.

Obituary

Umer Farooq Sait Kushali

Mysuru, Jan.30- Umer Farooq Sait Kushali (54), Proprietor of Jeelani Textiles at Meena Bazar on Sawday Road here, passed away on Jan.28 at a private hospital in Bengaluru following brief illness.

He leaves behind his wife, two sons, one daughter and a host of relatives and friends.

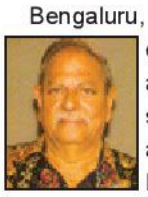
Namaz-e-Janaza was held at Masjid-e-Azam on Ashoka Road here yesterday followed by the burial at the Muslim Burial Ground, near Tipu Circle.

Mohan Kumar

M.N. Mohan Kumar (79), a resident of Vontikoppal, V.V. Mohalla, passed away on Jan.18.

He leaves behind his wife Prema Mohan, daughters Deepa & Roopa, son Ganesh and a host of relatives and friends. Last rites were performed at the foot of Chamundi Hill on Jan.20.

S. Sundaramurthy



Bengaluru, Jan.30- S. Sundaramurthy (80), a member of Mysore Race Club and a resident of Bengaluru, passed away on Jan.27.

He leaves behind his wife Rama Sundaramurthy, sons Ramesh and Ranjith, daughter Sabina Singh, brother Shanmugham and a host of relatives and friends.

Last rites were performed at Bengaluru on Jan.28.

Gauri Lankesh's brother for CBI probe into her murder

Indrajit Lankesh says he had lost faith in the Special Investigation Team the State had formed

Bengaluru, Jan.30- Murdered journalist Gauri Lankesh's brother Indrajit Lankesh said yesterday that he would move the Karnataka High Court demanding a Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI) inquiry into her death. Unidentified persons shot dead Gauri outside her home in Bengaluru on Sept. 5, 2017.

Indrajit

"It has been five months since Gauri's death," Indrajit Lankesh told the media after lighting a candle on his sister's grave in Chamrajpet, Bengaluru. "I fully cooperated with the investigation, but I feel the Special Investigation Team (SIT), under pressure from the State, is carrying out the investigation along only one track. Today I will speak to my lawyers and will approach the High Court." Jan. 29 would have been Gauri's 56th birthday.

Her brother said that he wondered how the investigation team could release detailed sketches of the accused based merely on CCTV footage in which the men's faces were covered with helmets. "I lost faith in the investigation the day the sketches were released."

Indrajit Lankesh added that his sister's murder was discussed even in the British and United States Legislatures.

"Since the murder has occurred in Bengaluru, and the Special Investigation Team has been constituted by the State, all questions regarding the murder should be addressed to the State," Indrajit Lankesh said. "But I found people questioning the Centre, which was something I could not digest."

Regarding reports that the investigation team had made a breakthrough in the case, Indrajit Lankesh said that the team should announce such a development. He also expressed disappointment at the presence of Congress leaders including Karnataka Chief Minister Siddharamaiah at a rally in support of Gauri Lankesh three days after her murder. Indrajit Lankesh said that he had boycotted the "Gauri Day" event at Town Hall in Bengaluru yesterday.

Gauri's sister Kavitha Lankesh, however, has spoken in support of the SIT and said it would be wrong to transfer the case at this juncture, when the SIT was "close to solving it."

Frequent bandhs: High Court notice to State, Vatal Nagaraj

Bengaluru, Jan.30- The Karnataka High Court yesterday ordered notice to the State Government and Kannada Chaluvali Vatal Paksha leader and ex-MLA Vatal Nagaraj in response to a PIL challenging the bandhs called on Jan.25 and Feb.4.

Vatal Nagaraj

A Division Bench, headed by Acting Chief Justice H.G. Ramesh and Justice P.S. Dinesh Kumar, has posted the petition filed by Shraddha Parents Association, Bengaluru, to Feb.2 so as to await the response from the respondents. The petition was filed on Jan.25 itself when the first bandh took place. The Counsel for the petitioner, while citing media reports, claimed that in the last one year or so more than a dozen of bandhs have taken place seriously affecting the public at large.

In the PIL, apart from seeking a direction to declaring the said two bandhs as unconstitutional as well as illegal, the petitioner has prayed the Court to direct Vatal Nagaraj to deposit Rs.500 crore security for carrying out the bandh and the same to be disbursed as relief.

According to the petitioner, despite Apex Court's guidelines issued in Destruction of Public Properties vs. State of Andhra Pradesh and others (2009) and also in Communist Party of India vs. Bharat Kumar case in 1998, all political parties and pro-activist groups continue to call for bandh.

"No party has a right to initiate bandh causing hardship to the people by forcing them from exercising their lawful activities," the petitioner claimed while contending that the Government was duty-bound to prevent bandh, which invades people's life, liberty and property.

The petitioner has sought a declaration from the Court that bandh calls "unconstitutional."

Hostel contract workers stage protest, demand regularisation

The contract workers of various students' hostels staging a protest at the north gate of the Mysore Palace near Kote Anjaneyaswamy Temple in city yesterday.

Mysuru, Jan.30 (MTY&NNN)- The contract workers working in various hostels in the city staged a protest yesterday demanding regularisation of their jobs and other demands.

The protesters gathered near the Kote Anjaneyaswamy Temple at the north gate of the Mysore Palace from where they took out a procession that passed through Big Clock Tower, Mahatma Gandhi Circle, Dufferin Clock Tower, Devaraj Urs Road, Metropole Circle and finally reached the DC's office, where they sat in dharna.

Instead of regularising the jobs of contract workers working in Backward Classes Welfare Department, Social Welfare Department and other Departments, the State Government is trying to appoint new ones.

The Government is betraying the interest of the workers who have been working as contract workers since the last 15 to 20 years. These workers are eligible for permanent jobs based on the rules of the Department from 1985 to 2014, which is applicable to them.

A survey must be conducted regarding the contract workers serving in all the districts. If they do not regularise the jobs, then they should be given equal work for equal pay and given salaries that match the ones given to permanent workers. They should be continued in the same posts till their retirement, were some of the demands, the protesters urged to be fulfilled.

The State Government should immediately cancel the practice of employing contract workers. They should be given permanent jobs just like the Pourakarmikas and salaries credited directly to bank accounts, urged the protesters.

Student Hostels Contract Workers Association District President V. Yashodhara, District Secretary Muddukrishna and others led the protest.

Okkuta stages protest against Sadashiva Commission report

Mysuru, Jan.30 (MTY&DM)- Karnataka Meesalati Samrakshana Okkuta staged a demonstration in front of CADA office here yesterday to urge the Government not to implement Justice A.J. Sadashiva Commission report on internal reservation.

Claiming that the Commission report was one-sided, the protesters urged the Government to hold discussions with all State holders before taking a decision on the implementation of the report.

Earlier, the protesters marched in a procession from Kote Anjaneyaswamy Temple to CADA office.

Shivayogi Siddarameshwara Bovi Hitarakshana Okkuta President G. Nagaraj, Banjara Seva Sangha President Sadananda, Korama Community leader Krishna Shetty, leaders Mohanraj Kuluva, T.K. Gopal, Basavaraj and others were present.

Public Notice

It is hereby informed to the General Public that my client **Mr. Israr Ahamed**, S/o Mohammed Madar, residing at No. 4585/1, Azadnagar, Nanjangud Town, Mysuru District, is intended to purchase the house property more fully mentioned in the schedule below from its owner **Mr. Syed Kamaruddin Aslam**, S/o Dr. S.A. Rasheed, residing at D.No. 2795, Devanuru 2nd Stage, N.R. Mohalla, Mysuru, for the valid consideration. If any person/s is/are having any title, interest or objection or claims in respect of the schedule property, they are hereby called upon to file their objection to the office of the above mentioned Advocate along with the supporting documents. If no any such objections are filed within 7 days from the date of the publication of this notice, it will be taken as no any objection and my client will proceed with the matter.

SCHEDULE: House property bearing No. 2795, measuring East-West: 60 feet, North-South: 40 feet, situated at Devanuru 2nd Stage, N.R. Mohalla, Mysuru, bounded on the: East by: Road; West by: Property bearing No. 2799 ; North by: Property bearing No. 2794 ; South by: Property bearing No. 2796.

Sd/- Akbar Shariff, B.Com., LL.B.,
Advocate & Notary, #36, 4th Cross,
Anegundi Road, 2nd Etgah,
Mani Mohalla, Mysore-570 015.
Mob: 99802-74726

Sd/- Client

PUBLIC NOTICE

The public at large is hereby notified that my client intends to purchase the schedule property which is more fully described in the schedule below from **Smt. H.G. Manjula, aged about 50 years, W/o Sri. Parashuramegowda, residing #112, Dharmashree Nilaya, Kuvempu Road, Vidhya Nagara, Hassan - 573 201.** If any person/s has / have any kind of right, title, interest, objections or claims over the schedule property, they may lodge their claims / objections with the undersigned within 7 days from the date of this notification with the supporting documents by registered post acknowledgment due failing which, my client will take it for granted that there are no claims / charges from whomsoever. Any claims / objections received after this stipulated period of 7 days will be considered as no claim and the same will be ignored and my client shall proceed to complete the sale transaction.

Schedule: All that parcel of the Property bearing **Site No. 2234/48**, having Unique Code **No. 152200407129020075** (According the Form no. **11B** issued by the office of the **Belavadi Village Panchayathi**), carved in **survey no. 326** measuring **1 acre 35 guntas situated at Belavadi Village Panchayathi**, Yelwala Hobli, Mysuru Taluk, measuring East to **West : 8.00 Meters and North to South:15.00 Meters, in total measuring 120.0 Sq. Meters** and bounded on:

East by : Private Property
West by : Property bearing Site No. 49
North by : Road
South by : Property bearing Site No. 58.
PLINTH : The property Consist of 25.00 squares of building of Ground and First Floor with R.C.C. Roofing with Granite Flooring having Electric, Water and Sanitary Connections.

SRIDHAR L. HOLLA - Advocate
#237, Kshetrachi Rd, K.R. Mohalla, Mysore-24.
Phone : 9844258511, 9902613515.

District Tourism Development Committee
Office of the Deputy Commissioner and Chairman, Mysuru District

Indent No.RD/2017-18/IND606 Date: 29.01.2018

Short Term Tender Notification

Deputy Commissioner and Chairman, District Tourism Development Committee, Mysuru District invites short term tender from recognized & professional suppliers for the supply of Music instruments under SCP/TSP scheme.

Committee headed by Deputy Commissioner, Mysuru District will evaluate the tender submissions received and notify them. Registration of interest does not imply inclusion on the tender list. Tender documents will be issued on 25-01-2018, 10am through e-procurement. EMD: 30,000/-

Closing of Short Term Tender

Submission closes at 4pm on Saturday 01-02-2018, must be submitted through http://eproc.karnataka.gov.in

Enquiries

All enquiries regarding the tender or details regarding the project should be directed to O/o The Deputy Director, Tourism Department, #2, Hotel Mayura Hoysala, JLB road, Mysuru-570005 Phone NO. 0821-2422096 e-mail: ddtourismmysore@gmail.com

Deputy Commissioner and Chairman

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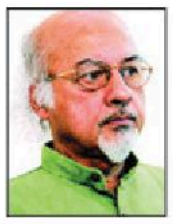
Karat's suicide mode: RSS approves



Point of VIEW

T.J.S. George

It was to save India from a Pakistan-like fundamentalist religiosity that politicians raised the slogan of uniting against the BJP. That such unity can indeed save India was proved in the recent Gujarat elections. If Sharad Pawar's NCP had not split votes, the BJP would have been defeated in its home State.

We have to sympathise with Communist hardliner Prakash Karat. He is unable to decide whether Enemy No. 1 is the BJP or Sitaram Yachury. In public he said it was the BJP. In action he moved against Yachury's line of electoral understanding with other parties including the Congress. His stand was such a boost to RSS-BJP that their party organ wrote an editorial saying Karat was "right." That's a testimonial no other communist leader has got from Hindutva circles. Harkishen Singh Surjeet who spent a lifetime bringing differing opinions together must have turned over and over again in his grave.

It is not difficult to see that Karat took his inspiration from Pinarayi Vijayan, the Marxist ruler of Kerala and, as such, the principal bread-winner of the CPM today. For Pinarayi an anti-Congress stand makes local sense because the Congress is his Enemy No. 1 in Kerala. But India is different from Kerala. Pinarayi is shrewd and cunning enough to cultivate the BJP Prime Minister and to leave Kerala's Congress corruption kings undisturbed despite his pre-election threats to punish them. Such a pragmatist could not be unaware of the need to sup with the devil to win the battle against Enemy No. 1.

Karat's (and Pinarayi's) opposition to electoral deals is questionable in doctrinaire terms as well. Puritans talk of vulgar Marxism which is defined as "a variety of economic determinism with the alleged determination of the ideological superstructure by the economic infrastructure." (Marxists are unbeatable in the pyrotechnics of language). But there is inherent hypocrisy in their accepting the parliamentary system. Honest communism swears by revolution, and revolution alone. Participation in parliamentary activities creates, according to the purists, "parliamentary illusions among the masses" leading them to believe that changes can be brought about through means other than "the struggle to replace bourgeois democracy with socialist democracy."

Karat has accepted bourgeois democracy. Otherwise he would be with the Naxalites. He and his party have been participating in electoral politics. He even accepted the idea of alliances with other parties — all of them bourgeois of course — in order to fight elections. He and his CPM were part of the 12-party alliance that put Manmohan Singh's UPA Government in power in 2004. (Four years later he led the Left Front out of it).

Once you accept electoral politics, you have to accept its logic. And there is only one purpose around which that logic revolves: Winning. Karat contradicts himself when he enters muddy waters and insists that his shirt should stay stainless. Such insistence can come only from a mind that is already stained.

Democracy can of course be debunked as a system because it puts the corrupt and the criminal in power. There is a German-American economist, Hans-Hermann Hoppe who is described as "a paleo-libertarian anarcho-capitalist philosopher." According to him "Prime Ministers and Presidents are selected for their proven efficiency as morally uninhabited demagogues. Thus, democracy virtually assures that only bad and dangerous men will ever rise to the top of government."

Many of us might say Amen to that. Karat is free to do so and stay away from the game of demagogues. But the CPM is an active player in the game. It is in power in Kerala triumphantly and in Tripura shakingly. It is fighting elections and it wants to win. It does form alliances. In Kerala and Tripura, the CPM is in alliance with other parties. The BJP, too, is in alliance with others where it rules. Stalin collaborated with the UK-US to defeat the common enemy, Hitler.

In today's situation, a sort of two-party system dominates India. It is the BJP versus others. This is the result of the BJP being the only party that seeks a communally polarised India based on an extremist Hindutva ideology. The dangerous implications of this surfaced as soon as the BJP assumed power in Delhi in 2004; violent groups appeared across the country lynching and whipping and humiliating handpicked victims while the Government looked the other way.

It was to save India from a Pakistan-like fundamentalist religiosity that politicians raised the slogan of uniting against the BJP. That such unity can indeed save India was proved in the recent Gujarat elections. If Sharad Pawar's NCP had not split votes, the BJP would have been defeated in its home State. In the coming elections, too, if votes are not frittered away, the BJP will be defeated. That is why Prakash Karat's dogmatic position is not just foolish; it is suicidal.

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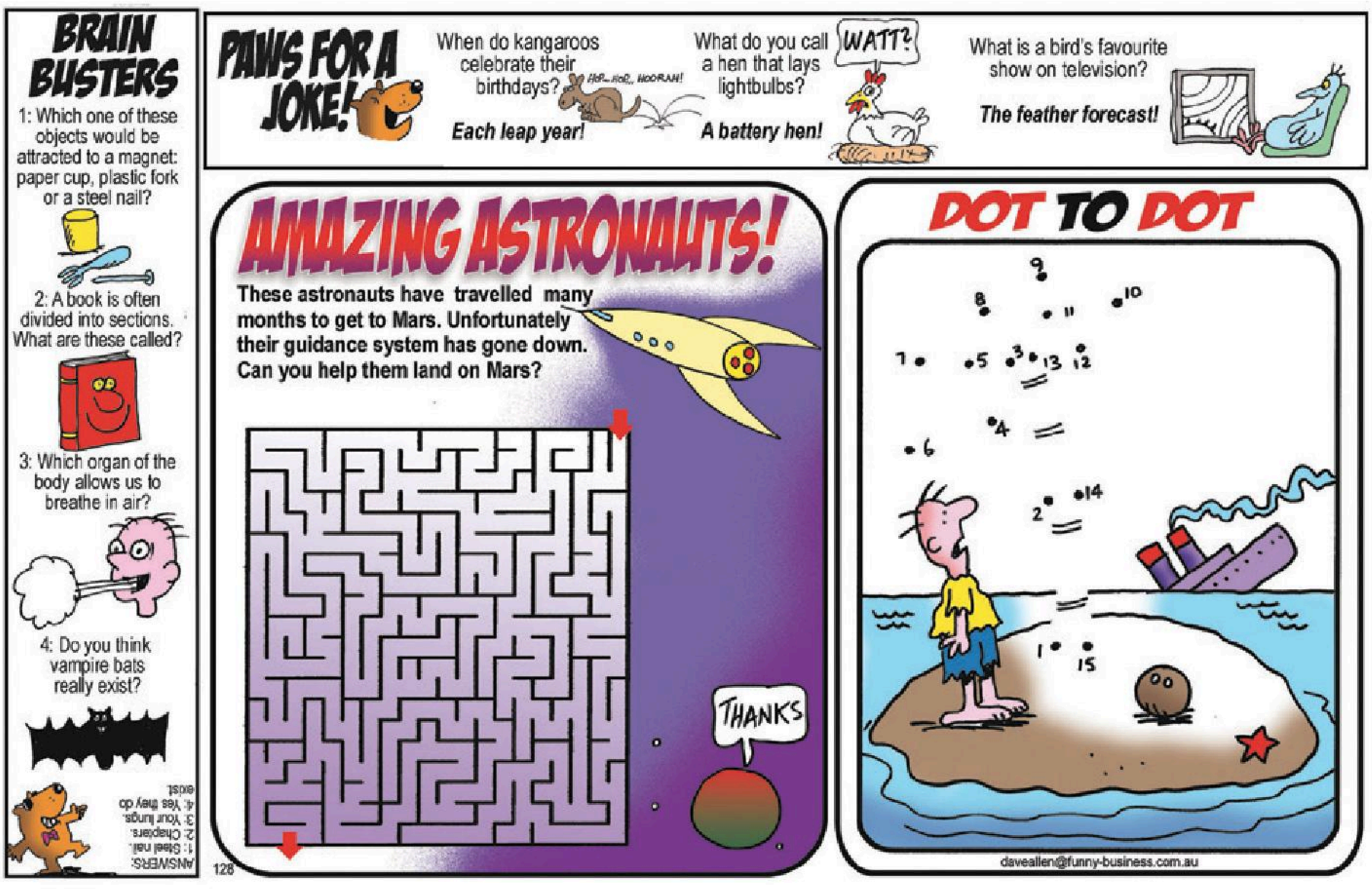
BRAIN BUSTERS
1: Which one of these objects would be attracted to a magnet: paper cup, plastic fork or a steel nail?
2: A book is often divided into sections. What are these called?
3: Which organ of the body allows us to breathe in air?
4: Do you think vampire bats really exist?
ANSWERS:
1: Steel nail.
2: Chapters.
3: Your lungs.
4: Yes they do exist.
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When do kangaroos celebrate their birthdays?
Each leap year!
What do you call a hen that lays lightbulbs?
A battery hen!
What is a bird's favourite show on television?
The feather forecast!
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Four elephants from Bandipur arrive at Mysuru Zoo

City Zoo to swap elephants for African Rhinos from Singapore Zoo

Mysuru, Jan. 30 (KS)- The Mysuru Zoo, which boasts of housing exotic animals and birds, received four elephant calves from Bandipur Reserve Forest on Thursday to be exchanged for a pair of African Rhinos from Singapore Zoo under Animal Exchange Programme.

Mysuru Zoo Executive Director C. Ravishankar, speaking to *Star of Mysore* said that the

C. Ravishankar

Zoo received four elephants aged four and six years on Jan. 25 and has initiated the process for exchanging them for animals from Singapore Zoo.

Stating that the Mysuru Zoo had provisions to collect it, the Zoo Executive Director said that the Zoo had sent this proposal in 2015 but the Central Zoo Authority (CZA) had deferred it due to some issues and added that the Mysuru Zoo has once again written to the CZA seeking permission.

The Mysuru Zoo, which has been adding exotic animals to its inventory, has a collection of various animals from different parts of the globe — Zebras, Cheetahs, Green Anacondas, Meercats, Chimpanzees, Giraffes, Hippos, Wallaby, South American Tapir, Ostrich, North American Wood Duck, Australian Rainbow Lorikeet, African Slender Snouted Crocodile and Nile Crocodile to name a few.

For representation only

Though the Zoo houses a pair of Indian Rhinos, it is trying its luck to procure a pair of African Rhinos to add them in its inventory.

Zoo making all efforts to get a Gorilla

Following the death of Polo (43), India's only Gorilla in captivity, due to respiratory infection and age-related ailments in the Zoo in 2014, the Mysuru Zoo had lost one of its precious inmate and the star attraction of the Zoo. Polo was received from Dublin Zoo, Ireland, on 12th August, 1995.

The Zoo is making all efforts to get a Gorilla, said Ravishankar and added that volunteers and officials of Alpenzoo had visited Mysuru about two months ago and were very happy to see the Zoo and the animals which are housed here. He said that the Alpenzoo officials who have given positive response have assured him of putting forward the request by the Mysuru Zoo at the World Gorilla Committee meeting to be held in April.

Ravishankar said that if all goes well, Mysuru Zoo would house a Gorilla once again.

Ramsons Kala Pratishtana Award for Yadgir's Mounesh Kambar

'Shilpashastra Nagendracharya Award' for Mysuru's Dakshinamurthy and Special Award for Vittal Rayappa Kambara of Ramanagaram

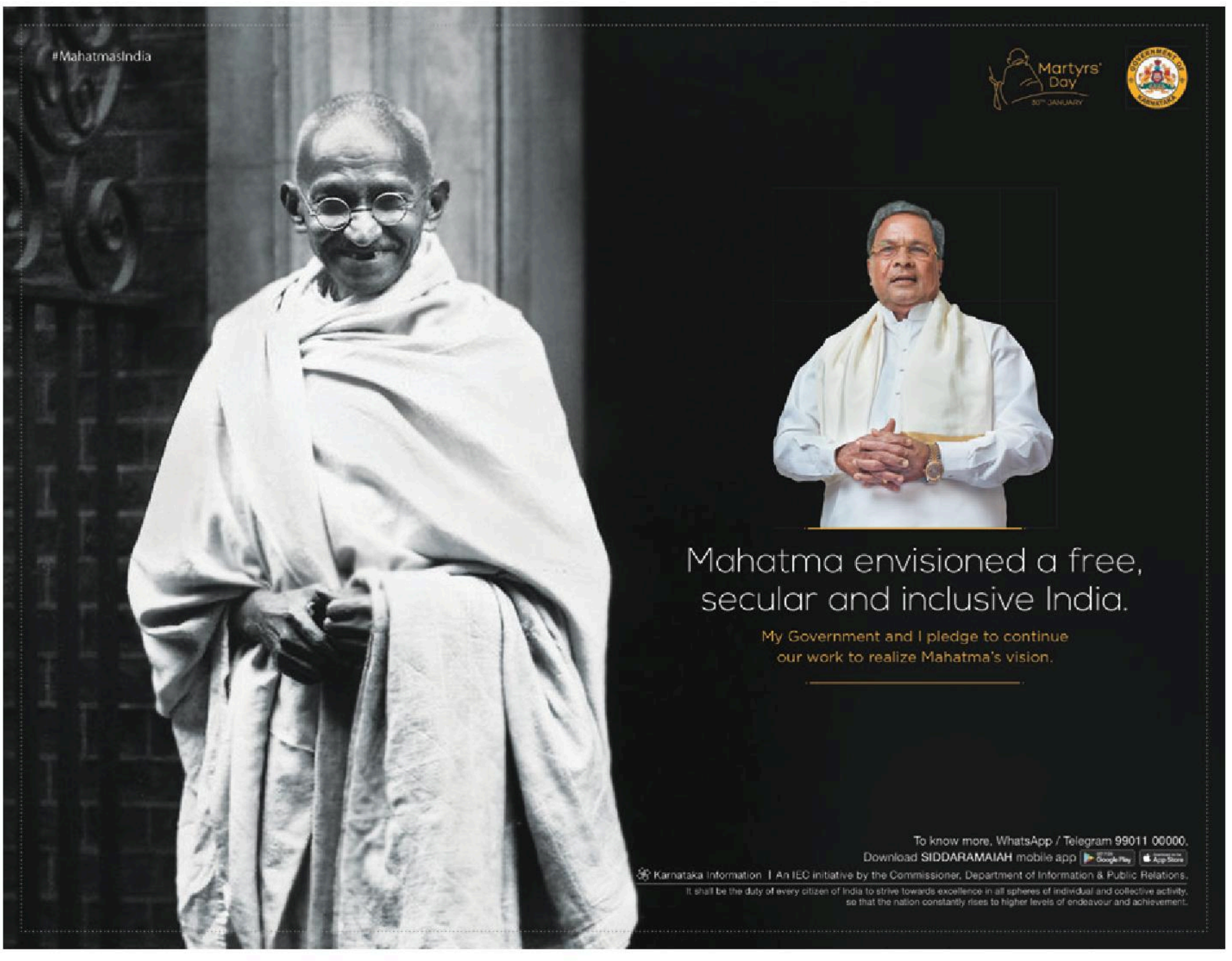
Mysuru, Jan.30 - The prestigious 'Ramsons Kala Pratishtana Award,' sponsored by Ramsons Kala Pratishtana (RKP), Mysuru, will be given to **Mounesh Kambar** from Yadgir at the 13th Annual Sculpture Exhibition of the Karnataka Shilpa Kala Academy at Nayana Auditorium, Kannada Bhavana, on JC Road in Bengaluru today (Jan. 30) at 6 pm.

Mounesh *Dakshinamurthy* *Vittal*

The prestigious 'Shilpashastra Nagendracharya Award' will be given to **N. Dakshinamurthy of Mysuru** at the same function. A special award in the name of late Gangadhar M. Badigar of the KSRP Second battalion (Karnataka State Reserve Police - II Battalion), Belagavi, will also be given and the recipient is **Vittal Rayappa Kambara of Ramanagaram.** Other awardees of this sculpture competition are: V. Nagaraj (Bengaluru), Gopal Kammar (Bengaluru), N. Navya (Bengaluru), K. Vishal (Shivamogga), T.R. Mahesh (Ramanagaram) and M. Devaraj (Bengaluru).

Minister for Kannada and Culture and Women & Child Development, Umashree will give away the awards to the prize winners. A booklet on the prize winners will be released on the occasion by N.R. Vishu Kumar of the Kannada and Culture Department. Eminent sculptor Ganesh L. Bhat of Bengaluru will be the chief guest. Guest of honour is R.G. Singh of Ramsons Kala Pratishtana. Shilpi R. Kalachar, President of Shilpa Kala Academy, will preside.

The following eminent and senior sculptors will be felicitated with honorary awards: Mahadevappa Shambhulingappa Shilpi from Kalaburagi, John Devaraj of Bengaluru, Manappa Sankarappa Badiger of Vijayapura, M. Ramamurthy of Bengaluru and B. Shamsundar Bhat of Mysuru.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Rally marks World Leprosy Day

Mysuru, Jan. 30 (MTY&KS)- The District Administration, in association with District Health and Family Welfare Department and District Leprosy Eradication Unit, as part of World Leprosy Day, had organised an anti-leprosy awareness rally in city this morning.

World Leprosy Day is observed internationally on Jan. 30 to increase public awareness about leprosy, one of the oldest recorded diseases in the world.

The awareness rally consisting of nursing students of Cauvery Nursing College and officials, was flagged of by Deputy Commissioner (DC) D. Randeep from the District Health Officer's office in Nazarbad here.

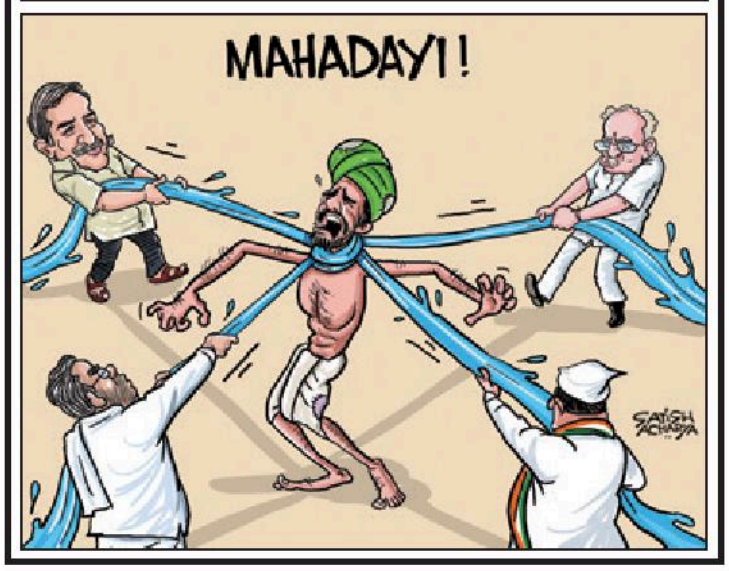
The nursing students, carrying placards with messages such as *'Leprosy is not a curse but a disease, Join hands to eradicate Leprosy'* etc. marched through Chamundi Vihar Stadium Road, Nazarbad Police Station Circle and Nazarbad Main Road to culminate at the starting point.

Speaking on the occasion, DC Randeep said "though leprosy is curable, many have a wrong assumption that this disease is a curse. But the fact is it is curable through medications" and called upon people to come out of such superstitious beliefs.

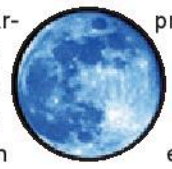
District Leprosy Control Officer Dr. Manjuprasad, who also spoke said that during 2017-18, 10 new Paucibacillary (PB) Leprosy cases and 49 new Multibacillary (MB) cases have been detected and added that 11 old PB and 41 old MB Leprosy cases have been cured.

District Health Officer (DHO) Dr. B. Basavaraju, officials of various Health departments and others were present.

STAR PUNCH By Satish Acharya



Sky-watching session to witness Total Lunar Eclipse tomorrow



Mysuru, Jan.30 - A sky-watching session has been arranged for general public to witness the spasmodic super blood moon, blue moon total lunar eclipse on Jan.31 from 6 pm to 8.30 pm at Sri Ramakrishna Vidyashala in Yadavagiri and at Excel Public School in Koorgalli.

Sri Ramakrishna Vidyashala and Excel Public School have two high-resolution telescopes with endurable magnitude to explore deep sky objects. On this day, general public, sky gazers and amateur astronomers are privileged to take up astro-photography and enjoy the grandeur and pulchritude of eclipse watching. No entry fee. For details contact, Dr. S. A. Mohan Krishna on Mob:9632376757 or Kiran Prasad on Mob: 9741516348 or Vinay on Mob: 8660104167.

At SJCE: Arrangements have been made at SJCE Campus also to observe the rare phenomenon, a Total Lunar Eclipse, tomorrow from 6 pm to 9 pm [Mob: 89516-97050].

Say NO to liquor, money; vote for development, tells Sulibele

Yuva Brigade leader and orator Chakravarti Sulibele is seen delivering a lecture at a programme organised by Yuva Brigade at Kalamandira in city yesterday. Picture right shows a section of the audience.

Mysuru, Jan. 30 (YDS&BCT)- Yuva Brigade leader and orator Chakravarti Sulibele has called upon the voters to vote for development and not to be influenced by money, gold and liquor. He was delivering a lecture on *"Karnataka of my dreams"* at Kalamandira yesterday. The lecture was organised by Yuva Brigade.

"Politicians, irrespective of party affiliations, will come to you offering money, gold, silver and liquor asking you to vote for a particular party. Remember that if you vote for those candidates who offer money and liquor, they will loot State treasuries to make up for their electoral expenses. They will also make money for the next elections too," he said.

Calling upon voters to only vote for development, Sulibele said that only honest candidates who are capable of developing a constituency must be elected, he said. "Choose good candidates, not corrupt ones," Sulibele said.

A proud patriot who quit his profession as a software engineer for the sake of the nation, Chakravarti Sulibele spoke at length about Karnataka and its culture. "Kannada and Karnataka are synonyms for the culture of the State. One should preserve the beauty and the richness of the culture," he said.

"The British, the Dutch, the Portuguese and many others looted India over centuries and now we can see the ill effects of these attacks. While India was about to recover from the invasion of Muslim rulers from Afghanistan and other places, the British occupied the country and looted our resources. India was captured by foreigners for over 1,500 years," he said.

"The British, apart from ruling the country by adopting a divide-and-rule policy, portrayed India in a bad light. They reflected India as the land of beggars and snake-charmers and many British writers played an active role in this conspiracy," he said.

"Bollywood movie *'Padmaavat'*, directed by Sanjay Leela Bansali, has portrayed the dark days of Muslim invasion and its effects on India. The invaders treated women as an object of enjoyment. I am not against Muslims as history says that Muslims in India have their roots in Hinduism. Invaders converted Hindus into Islam and if you see the family tree of Indian Muslims for three to four generations, you will realise that they are actually Hindus," he said.

A diary titled *"Karnataka of my dreams"* was released on the occasion. Dr. R. Balasubramaniam of Swami Vivekananda Youth Movement and Yuva Brigade State Convenor Chandrashekar were present.

KRS Water Level

(Maximum : 124.80 feet)	
Today	97.70 ft
Yesterday	97.73 ft
Inflow	245 cusecs
Outflow	348 cusecs
Last year on this date	79.12 ft

Centre has not approved project: Pratap Simha

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"I just met Railway Minister Piyush Goyal and Rajesh Aggarwal, Executive Director Joint Venture, Railways regarding the "said" nod from Central Govt for Thalassery-Mysuru Railway line via South Kodagu and expressed my opposition. Well, no approval has been given," Pratap Simha said.

Earlier reports said that the Union Government has accorded in-principle approval to the long-pending 240-km-long Thalassery-Mysuru rail line project at an estimated cost of Rs. 5,052 crore.

"Recently, Kerala Transport Minister met the Railway Minister with four proposals and the Centre has not approved Thalassery-Mysuru Railway Line via South Kodagu. In fact, this line was proposed during United Progressive alliance's (UPA) 2012-13 Budget and Karnataka Road Development Corporation was given the responsibility to do the viability survey and Detailed Project Report. Since it's a joint venture, both Kerala and Karnataka governments have to approve the project," he said.

"Kerala Chief Secretary has spoken to Karnataka Chief Secretary regarding this line and the joint venture. But Karnataka govt has not said "NO" to this project. I request Chief Minister of Karnataka to say no to Kerala Chief Secretary and write a letter to Railway Minister and I will do the rest. Even otherwise, we will not let this happen," he said.

Later, Pratap Simha tweeted his meeting with Piyush Goyal.

Protest in Mysuru

Meanwhile, Coorg Wildlife Society President Col. (retd.) C.P. Muthanna told reporters in Bengaluru this morning that they would go ahead with the protest on Feb. 18 in Mysuru opposing the Railway line.

Sarvodaya Day in City

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Gandhiji always followed the path of peace, non-violence and truth and he had to pay with his life. The Mahatma always believed that God resides in all of us whether he is a Hindu, Muslim, Christian. "Gandhiji not only followed the path of Ahimsa but he also believed in Bhakti Marga as he saw that in everyone's house every morning, people prayed irrespective of the faith they belonged to," Prof. Ali said.

The ex-VC called upon the youth and the people in the Universities to spread the message of Peace of Gandhiji through the social media, internet, print and electronic media. "Just as Gandhiji had enormous self-confidence all of us should also have that confidence to fight the divisive forces," he said.

In-charge Vice-Chancellor Prof. C. Basavaraju said that Gandhiji's teachings of truth and non-violence are as relevant today to people all over the world as it was during the time when the country gained its independence. "Gandhiji always laid stress on human values and strove to ensure that self-determination and equality reached all strata of society," he said.

Gandhi Bhavan Director Prof.M.S. Shekar said that a separate library containing Gandhi's works should be set up. "There are 15 students who are doing a Post Graduate Course on Gandhi and many students have also opted for it under the Choice Based Credit System. This goes to show that Gandhiji will always be relevant to the society," he said. Registar D. Bharathi, Registrar (Evaluation) Prof. J. Somashekar also spoke.

Pourakarmika Poovamma was felicitated. The students and the faculty took an oath on truth and non-violence. Gandhiji's favourite hymns *Vaishnava Jana To Tene Kahiye* and *Raghupati Raghava Raja Ram* were sung on the occasion.

MYSORE WINTER RACES 2018

(By Our Racing Correspondent)

'Greek Goddess' may win

Mysuru, Jan.30 - The following are the selections for the 11th Day Mysore Winter Races to be held here tomorrow (31st January 2018):

1. 2.30 PM THE OOTY PLATE
1100 mts. [3 years terms)
1. Black Horse 2. Royal Command

2. 3.00 PM THE MANGALORE PLATE DIV II
1400 mts (rated 00 to 25)
1. Mr. Chang 2. Noble Emeror

3. 3.30 PM THE BABABUDANGIRI PLATE DIV II
1400 mts. (rated 40 to 65)
1. Kagu Yahimel 2. Ascendency

4. 4.00 PM THE MANGALORE PLATE DIV I
1400 mts. (rated 00 to 25)
1. Double Trouble 2. Show Me What U Got

5. 4.30 PM THE RAJAKUMARI LEELAVATHI DEVI MEMORIAL TROPHY
1200 mts. (rated 60 and above)
1.Greek Goddess 2. Class Above

6. 5.00 PM THE HAMPI PLATE
1600 mts. (rated 20 to 45)
1. Intrepid Warrior 2. Sans Frontiers

7. 5.30 PM THE BABABUDANGIRI PLATE DIV I
1400 mts. (rated 40 to 65)
1. Bonfire 2. Beyond Thankful

DAY'S BEST: *BLACK HORSE*
DOUBLE: *1. GREEK GODDESS 2. BONFIRE*
JACKPOT: *3,4,5,6,7*
I TREBLE: *2,3,4;* ***II TREBLE:*** *5,6,7*
EXACTAS: *6,7*

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Mysuru, Mandya, Hassan least polluted cities in State

New Delhi, Jan. 30 - Here is some good news for Mysuru city ahead of this year's *Swachh Bharat* rankings where it is hoping to reclaim the "Cleanest City in India" tag. Mysuru, Mandya and Hassan are the least polluted cities in Karnataka.

A report released by Greenpeace India yesterday said that while Hassan is the least polluted city, Bengaluru, Tumakuru, Bidar, Davanagere and Raichur are the five most polluted cities. Mangaluru is also among the list of least polluted cities in Karnataka.

With 15 of its cities among 30 cities with highest levels of toxic air in the country, Uttar Pradesh is India's most polluted State, says the report. The report - Airpocalypse II - is based on air pollution related data collected from Central and State Pollution Control Boards' and Committees' annual reports and their websites and through applications under Right to Information Act wherever data was unavailable or gaps existed in the available data. These cities have a high concentration of dust particles that can penetrate and lodge deep inside the lungs, causing serious health problems.

Around 47 million children under five years of age reside in areas where particulate matter levels exceed the prescribed limits, with 17 million among them inhabiting places where the pollution levels are twice the limits.

Using government data, the report presents a country-wide picture on the prevalence of PM-10 (particulate matter with a diameter of 10 microns), one of the two most dangerous components of air pollution, the other being PM-2.5.

The report found that none of the 18 cities of Karnataka for which official data is available are within the World Health Organisation safe-limits (20 micrograms per cubic metre) and 10 of them are beyond the safe-limit (60 micrograms per cubic metre) specified by the Central Pollution Control Board.

The other high PM10 cities in Karnataka are Hubballi, Dharwad, Kolar, Kalaburagi and Belagavi. The report states: "Assessment of air quality from the data indicates that annual PM10 levels in 10 cities were above the annual PM10 standard, while four cities had annual levels above the daily standard (100 micrograms as per CPCB)." However, cities in the South have slightly better air quality when compared with those in the North.

The report maintained that nearly 550 million Indians live in areas where the level of killer pollutants exceeded the national standards. They include 180 million living in areas where air pollution levels are more than twice the stipulated limit.

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PGSC teams win Kho-Kho Tournament

PG Sports Council (PGSC), Manasagangothri, won Mysore City Inter-Collegiate Women's Kho-Kho Championship organised at Maharani's Science College in city jointly by Onkarmal Somani College of Education and the Department of Physical Education, University of Mysore and Maharani's Science College. In the finals, PGSC beat Maharani's Arts College 10-04 to clinch the title. The winning team is seen with guests — Dr. A. Nagaraj, Principal, Maharani's Science College, Mysuru; N.S. Subramanya, Convener, Mysore City Inter-Collegiate Tournaments, Dr. Ramani, Physical Education Director, Maharani's Science College, Umesh, senior Kho-Kho player and Dr. Sangeetha, Physical Education Director, Maharani's Arts College. Picture right shows men's Kho-Kho team of PGSC which beat Maharaja's College, Mysuru, 10-06 in the men's finals of the Tournament, with Prof. Sheshanna, retired Principal of University College of Physical Education, Dr. P. Krishnaiah, Director, Dept. of Physical Education University of Mysore, N.S. Subramanya, Convener, Mysore City Inter-Collegiate Tournaments, Mahendra, Physical Education Director, Govt. Science College, Hassan, B.D. Kantharaju, Asst. Director, Dept. of Physical Education, University of Mysore and N.K. Sundar, senior Kho-Kho player.

Runners-up in Basketball

St. Joseph's First Grade College, Jayalakshmipuram, emerged runners-up in MICA Inter-Collegiate Basketball Tournament. The winning team — Mokshith, Anoosh Nayak, Pavan Kumar, Manju Kashyap, Deekshith, Vishal, Kunal, Suchith Puri, Manoj Kumar — is seen with (sitting from left) Rev. Fr. Praveen Kumar, Priest in-Charge, St. Mathais and St. Joseph's Institutions, Rev. Fr. Vijayakumar Secretary-Correspondent, MDES, Dr. V. Niveditha, Principal of St Joseph First Grade College and Chandrashekar, Physical Education Director.

Wins medals at MMA Open Championships

From left: H. Sathvik, M.R. Darshan, Kru.Vikram, Kavyashree and P. Yashas.

Mysuru, Jan.30- Four fighters of Academy of Martial Science(AMS), who represented team Karnataka at the Mumbai Body Power Expo-2018 MMA Open Championships held at Bombay Exhibition and Convention Centre between Jan.11 and Jan.14, won a silver and bronze medal respectively.

The event was attended by 250 fighters from 24 States and also international fighters competing for the top spot.

M.R. Darshan won a silver medal in fly weight division which was contested by more than 40 fighters. He made his way to the finals by defeating an international medallist from Telangana in the second round via submission while **Kavyashree** continued her winning streak and won a bronze medal in female straw weight division.

While **H. Sathvik** was Bantam weight quarter finalist, **P. Yashas** was Feather weight quarter finalist.

They are trained by international medallist Kru. Vikram at AMS.

Winners of Mysore City Inter-Collegiate Badminton

Women's team of SBRR Mahajana First Grade College emerged winners at the Inter-Collegiate Badminton Tournament for Women conducted by St. Philomena's College in city. The winning students — (standing from left) Rachana K B, Samprada R Shetty and Apoorva — are seen with (from left) Dr. H.N. Bhaskar, Physical Education Director, R. Vasudeva Murthy, President, Mahajana Education Society (MES), Dr. S. Venkataramu, Principal, SBRR Mahajana First Grade College, P.S. Madhusudana, Physical Education Director. Picture right shows men's team which emerged runners-up in the Tournament — (from left) Somashekar, Goverdhan Sagar, Bharath, Abi Abudhan, Praveen and Sachin.

Japanese Grand Master gives tips to city Karatekas

Gonikoppal, Jan.30- Students of National Academy School, Athur, participated in the International Karate Camp organised by Okinawa Karate Do Shorinryu Shorin Kai India. Grand Master from Shorin Ryu Shorin Kai Japan - Hansi Keishun Kakinohna, Sensei Masao Tamashiro, Sensei Sanjiv Shrestha, Sensei S. Sunil Kumar, organised the camp effectively.

Shanthi Achapa, Chairperson - National Academy School and S. Arun Kumar, Principal - National Academy School, were also present. Students from Class I to Class VIII actively took part in the Karate camp by learning various tips from the Grand Master.

Later, 45 students were awarded with Yellow, Blue and Purple Belt by Hansi Keishun Kakinohna, 9th Dan Okinawa Karate-do Shorin Ryu Shorinkai.

Eshanvi, Arnav clinch

Karnataka State Schools Chess Championship

M.N. Eshanvi

Arnav Muralidhar

Mysuru, Jan.30- M.N. Eshanvi and Arnav Muralidhar of Mysuru won State Schools Chess Championship in Under 11 Girls and Open category respectively.

More than 400 players from all over Karnataka participated in the event organised by Mysore Chess Centre on Jan.20 and 21 at Vyasaraja Mutt here.

WINNERS

U-7 Girls: 1. Tanishka Jain (Mandavya Excellence School, Mandya) - 4,5; **2.** K.R. Sara (Acharya Vidya Kula, Mysuru) - 4,5; **3.** K.R. Ghanashree (Santhome Public School, Mandya) - 4,0.

U-7 Boys: 1. Amogh Bisht (VIBGYOR - Marathahalli, Bengaluru - 6,0; **2.** Varun R. Kodancha (Sri Kumaran's CBSE, Bengaluru - 6,0; **3.** E. Yoshik Vihan, (Santhome Public School, Mandya) - 5,0.

U-9 Girls: 1. A.N. Shefali (Santhome Public School, Mandya) - 6,5; **2.** Shriyana S. Mallya (Lourdes CS, Dakshina Kannada) - 6,0; **3.** Vaishnavi R. Rao (Jnanodaya School, Bengaluru) - 5,5.

U-9 Boys: 1. Abhyuday Santhosh (TISB, Bengaluru) - 6,0; **2.** Apoorv Kamble (Shishya BEML Public School, Bengaluru) - 6,0;

U-11 Girls: 1. M.N. Eshanvi (I Can, Mysuru) - 6,0; **2.** Shraddha Somanath (GWH Sarjapura, Bengaluru) - 6,0; **3.** Vindya Sridhar (Pushkarini, Mysuru) - 5,0.

U-11 Boys: 1. Arnav Muralidhar (Sri Kumaran's Children Academy, Bengaluru) - 6,5; **2.** Sasmith A. Suvarna (Little Rock Indian School, Udupi) - 6,0; **3.** M. Dhanush Ram (Vivekananda EMS, Dakshina Kannada) - 6,0.

U-13 Girls: 1. S. Meghana (Carmel Convent, Mandya) - 5,0; **2.** Swara Lakshmi S. Nair (Vagdevi Vilas, Bengaluru) - 4,0; **3.** Anya Seth Syed (GWH Sarjapura, Bengaluru) - 4,0.

U-13 Boys: 1. Shree Krishna Pranama (Sudana RS, Dakshina Kannada) - 6,5; **2.** Gupta Anshurup (SCASE, Bengaluru) - 6,0; **3.** Tanav Sudarshan (Samskruthi Gurukula, Mandya) - 6,0.

U-15 Girls: 1. Khushi M. Hombal (Poorna Prajna Education Centre, Shivamogga) - 4,5; **2.** Prachi Bharti (Ryan Intl. School, Bengaluru) - 4,0; **3.** S.R. Pranitha (Cauvery Public School, Mandya) - 4,0.

U-15 Boys: 1. N. Rakesh (Cauvery Public School, Mandya) - 6,0; **2.** Kaushik G. Iyer (DPS East, Bengaluru) - 6,0; **3.** D. Kalki Eshwar (Deva Matha CS, Bengaluru) - 5,5.

U-17 Girls: 1. Shalmika K. Jain (Ambika PU, Dakshina Kannada) - 4,0; **2.** Tanisha Shital Gotadke (Dakshina Kannada) - 3,5; **3.** K. Yashaswi (GHS Kadeshivalaya, Dakshina Kannada) - 2,5.

U-17 Boys: 1. Niranjan Rajeev (Lourdes Central School, Dakshina Kannada) - 4,5; **2.** J. Sandeep (Vijaya Vittala Vidyashala, Mysuru) - 4,0; **3.** Prajwal Pradeep Poojari (Sudana RS, Dakshina Kannada) - 3,5.

KSCA Mysuru Zone 1st Division League

Shantharaju dazzles

Shantharaju

N.Zahed

Mysuru, Jan.30- A ten wicket haul by leg-spinner, Shantharaju (four for 23 & six for 24) helped Jo Jo CC to score a big innings and 53-run win over Sri Krishna Rajendra SC, K.R. Nagar in the two-day KSCA Mysuru Zone 1st Division league tie played at SDNR Wadiyar Platinum Jubilee University Grounds here on Saturday & Sunday respectively.

In the other game, MUCSC helped by a ten wicket haul by N.Zahed (five for 16 & five for 41), registered a 10-wicket win over Saraswathipuram SC in their two-day game played at PET (Mandya).

SCORES

First Division — SKRSC: 96 in 32.2 overs (N.Tejas 37, Shashank 28, Shantharaju four for 23, N. Bharath three for 24) & 61 in 17.4 overs (Shantharaju six for 24, Shankarshan Joshi three for 15) lost to **Jo Jo CC:** 210 for six decl. in 40.3 overs (Yashaswin Gowda 85, Utham Aiyappa 40, N. Bharath 37). **Jo Jo CC:** 5 points) and **SKRSC:** minus 1 point; **MUCSC:** 232 in 63 overs (Naveen Patil 85, Surendra Prasad 63, K. Arun 29, S. Dhananjaya 6 for 67) & 27 for no loss in 2.01 overs bt **Saraswathipuram SC:** 87 in 31.5 overs (Gautham Sagar 39, Viraj Mane 28, N. Zahed 5 for 16, N.J. Gowtham 4 for 28) & 171 in 44.2 overs (S. Dhananjaya 55, A.N. Dhanush 53, N.J.Gowtham 5 for 74, N. Zahed five for 41). **MUCSC:** 5 points and **Saraswathipuram SC:** minus 1 point.

KSCA Mysore Zone T20 Tourney for Clubs

Narrow win for Mohan's XI

Mysuru, Jan.30- Mohan's XI registered an exciting 2-run win over Mysore City Gymkhana in KSCA Mysuru Zone T20 Tournament for Clubs, played at JSS-SJCE Grounds recently.

SCORES

Mohan's XI: 148 for seven in 20 overs (Madan Mohan 58, B. Mohith 34, Manjesh Gowda two for 21) bt **Mysore City Gymkhana:** 146 for six in 20 overs (Pavan Simha 88, Mahadev Prasad 25, R.Lokesh two for 15).

FACC: 149 for five in 20 overs (Akarsh 66) bt **Rising Stars CC:** 145 for six in 20 overs (Jayanth Jain 55, Deepak 24 n.o., G.L. Raghunath two for 19, Chandan two for 35).

Akshayakalpa 46th Open ICA Monthly Chess Tournament

City's Girish triumphs

Bengaluru, Jan.30- Mysuru lad Girish A. Koushik (2374 Rating), taking part in Akshayakalpa 46th ICA Monthly Open Chess Tournament held at Silicon City Academy Secondary School premises, Bengaluru, won the title with 7 points from 8 rounds.

Girish Koushik tied with Md.Dilshad (Rating 1930) who also secured 7 points from 8 rounds but Girish Koushik's better progressive-tie-break score of 41.5 to the later's 39.5 helped him to clinch the title.

H.G. Santhosh Kashyap (6.5), Likit Chilkuri (6.5), GM Deviatkin Anderi (Rus-6 points), D. Yashas (6), Ojas Kulkarni (6), P. Jagadish (6) and A. Balkishan (6) secured places from third to nine in the final rankings.

Mysore players L. Vivekananda (5 points-22nd place), V.P.S. Darshan (5 points-25th place) and H.R. Manasa (5 points-27th place) also fared well.

Girish had wins over Nitesh Bhat, S. Shiva, Sanjay Sindhia, Hindhuja Reddy, Sushrutha Reddy and GM Deviatkin Anderi (Russia). He drew his last two round games against D. Yashas and H.G. Santosh Kashyap.

Annual Sports Day

of Gonikoppal Cauvery College

Gonikoppal, Jan.30- The Annual Sports Day and prize distribution ceremony of Cauvery College, Gonikoppal, will be held on Jan.31 from 10.30 am onwards at its premises here.

Jammada Joyappa, of Karate International, Gonikoppal and Maneyapanda Dechamma, Member, Virajpet Town Panchayat, both alumni of the College, will be the chief guests. K.P. Bopanna, Director, Cauvery Education Society and S.S. Madaiah, Principal of Cauvery PU College, Gonikoppal, will be the guests of honour.

Prof. P.A. Povanna, Principal of Cauvery College, Gonikoppal, will preside.

Valedictory of Students Welfare Association

The valedictory of the Students Welfare Association will be held on Feb.3 at 10.30 am at the College premises here.

Virajpet MLA K.G. Bopaiah and District Governor (RI-Dist. 3181) Rtn. M.M. Suresh Chengappa will be the chief guests. C.B. Devaiah, Vice-President, Cauvery Education Society and K.G. Uthappa, Hon. Secretary, Cauvery Education Society, will be the guests of honour.

Dr. M.P. Rekha (Kodava literature), G. Pavithra (1st rank in MA Economics from Mangalore University) and V. Amruthavarshini (District topper in PUC-Commerce) will be felicitated on the occasion.

Wins AITA Talent Series

Mustafa M. Raja

Mysuru, Jan.30- City lad Mustafa M. Raja won his 22nd AITA title at Fortune Sports, Kengeri, Bengaluru, which was organised by Sportindia.

Mustafa dominated the tournament and won the tournament without dropping a set.

In the finals, Mustafa defeated Rishivardhan from Bengaluru in a well-contested match.

Mustafa studies at Excel Public School and trains at Nagaraj Tennis Centre. He is the son of Murtuza Raja and Farida Raja.

Brief Scores: R1- 6,0 and 6,0; R2 - 6,1 and 6,0; QF - 6,1 and 6,4; SF - 6,2 and 6,1 and Finals - 7,5 and 6,3.

Excel in various sports

The sports persons from Marimallappa's PU College, Mysuru, who have own medals in the National-level in different disciplines — *(standing from left)* ***Siddesh (SGFI National Gold Medallist in Karate), M. Tulsi (SGFI National Bronze Medal in Chess) and Rakesh S. Chakravarthi (SGFI National Silver Medal in U-19 Wrestling) — are seen with*** *(from left)* ***N.B. Parashivamurthy, Physical Education Director, B.R. Neelakanta, Principal, Prof. K.N. Panchakshraswamy, Hon. Secretary, Marimallappa Institution and M.S. Vijaya, Vice-Principal.***

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Clear this garbage in V.V. Mohalla 6th Main

Garbage dumped in V.V. Mohalla 6th Main is not cleared and has become an eyesore in the locality. Authorities concerned are urged to take steps to get the garbage cleared at the earliest.

Overflowing manhole in Udayagiri

A manhole at KEB Colony 12th Cross in Udayagiri is overflowing since about 15 days causing inconvenience to the residents as it is emanating foul smell and getting stagnant at a distance. Authorities concerned are urged to take steps to get the manhole repaired at the earliest.

Plea to take action against cattle owners

Though the MCC is putting all efforts to make our city clean, cattle which are let loose on the streets are littering garbage by pulling them out from the bins. Not only will the street get dirty, the health of the cattle is also at risk by consuming garbage. One of SOM readers, who has sent this picture of cows feeding on garbage from the bins near Jayanagar Under-Bridge, has urged the authorities concerned to educate cattle owners about the health hazards faced by the cattle and penalise them for such offence in future.

There is need for change in education system: Sait

Primary and Secondary Education Minister Tanveer Sait speaking at the valedictory of a seminar titled 'School Education and Medium of Instruction Problems' organised by the Kannada Action Committee and Kannada Development Authority at the Maharaja's College Centenary Hall in city on Jan.27 as others look on.

Mysuru, Jan.30 (SBD&NNN)- Primary and Secondary Education Minister Tanveer Sait has said that there is need for a change in the education system.

He was speaking at the valedictory of a seminar titled 'School Education and Medium of Instruction Problems' organised by the Kannada Action Committee and Kannada Development Authority at Maharaja's College Centenary Hall here on Jan.27 and said that the involvement of the middlemen in the Department has increased.

"We have brought out a lot of reforms to stop such a mafia. There is a general feeling that has grown that Government School is for the poor children, while private school is for the well-to-do. Thus the society has been divided. However, all children should have access to the same kind of education. In this direction, there should be a complete change in the mindset of the people working in the Department," he said.

Karnataka Education Policy: The 21-point recommendations put-forth by Kannada Development Authority for the empowerment of Government Schools will be placed before Cabinet Committee for discussion. The Government is seriously considering implementing many of the recommendations, he said.

All efforts are on to implement the Karnataka Education Policy, which will include various aspects like teaching, expansion of classrooms, equipment and other basic facilities.

Karnataka Public School: There are 21,000 primary and 23,000 higher primary schools in the State. Steps have been taken to see that children do not have to run from pillar to post to get admissions to middle, high school and PU courses.

In every Gram Panchayat limits, classes from I to X standard and in hobli centres, classes from I to XII std. will be started and they will be called 'Karnataka Public School,' Sait said.

Quality education: Instead of telling that the Government Schools are providing free meals, shoes, cycles, bags and books, the people should say that quality of education provided here is free. A lot of reforms have been brought in, in this direction, he said.

Even in the CBSE and ICSE system of education, it has been directed to introduce Kannada compulsorily as a subject and even in Kannada medium schools, English should be introduced to the students along the lines of 'Nali-Kali,' he said.

A world record has been created at the examinations held for lakhs of students studying in standards IV to IX, last November using the OMR sheets. There is also a system 'Vishwasa Kirana' programme where in special classes are conducted. Even the transfer policy is teacher-friendly, he said.

Along with Best Teacher award, School Development and Monitoring Committee (SDMC) award is also being presented. The HMs and SDMC Presidents bank account will be checked and if there is any discrepancy then the officials will be asked to take action, he said.

Teachers' role: The Law has been amended to bring all the schools started in the State under Education Dept. Action has been taken to protect the children's safety and fees on private schools will be capped. However, just through law, it is not possible to implement Kannada language and development of Government Schools, he said.

To implement all these, teachers' cooperation is also very important. There are 103 types of teacher cadres. "If there is a delay in releasing salaries, it is not right on the part of the teachers to resort to strikes. At the same time, the Department will not allow the students and teachers to be misused for celebrating the birthdays or in participating in private programmes. I strongly oppose these moves," he said.

State-level Workshop on 'Emerging Trends in Banking' on Feb.1

Mysuru, Jan.30- UG Department of Business Administration, Teresian College, Mysuru, has organised one-day State-level Workshop on 'Emerging Trends in Banking and Stock Market' on Feb.1 at the College premises, in collaboration with NIIT-IFBI.

The workshop will be inaugurated on Feb.1 at 10 am by Dr. Noor Afza, Professor, DoS in Business Administration Tumkur University. Dr. R. Nalini, Associate Professor, Co-ordinator, PG Department of Business Administration, Maharani's Women's Commerce and Management College, Mysuru, will deliver keynote address.

The objective of this workshop is to create knowledge about concepts and terminologies of stock market and provide practical application of the academics.

Following are the resource persons and topics on which they deliver lectures:

C.S. Manjunath, Chairman, ICSI, Mysuru, will speak on 'Impact of GST on Banking' at 11.15 am; Prof. B.S. Sharath, Department of MBA, JSSCMS, Mysuru, will speak on 'Sensitivity in Stock Trading' at 1.15 pm; K.H. Adarsh, Centre Head, NIIT-IFBI, Mysuru, on 'Changing Dynamics of Banking Industry' at 3 pm. Valedictory address will be delivered at 4 pm by Adarsh.

Alleged assault on advocate by Cop

Advocates give two days' time to suspend SI

Warns of massive protests if Police authorities fail to act

Members of Mysuru and Bengaluru Bar Associations holding a meeting with DCP N. Vishnuvardhana in city yesterday.

Mysuru, Jan.30 (MTY&KS)- Advocates, who have been protesting under the banner of Mysuru Bar Association against Nazarbad Sub-Inspector Yellalinga, for allegedly assaulting advocate Gokul Govardhan, who is also the President of BJP Youth Wing on Jan.21 at the Police Station, have given two days' time to the Police authorities to suspend the SI, failing which they have threatened of launching massive protests in city.

The members of Mysuru and Bengaluru Bar Associations, who held a meeting at the office of the Mysuru Bar Association yesterday morning, decided to submit a memorandum in this regard to the City Police Commissioner and left for the Police Chief's office in the afternoon, where they held discussions for over 20 minutes with DCP N. Vishnuvardhana and urged him to suspend SI Yellalinga.

Speaking on the occasion, Mysuru Bar Association President G.V. Ramamurthy said that they were not protesting against the Police Department and it is not their intention to cause inconvenience to the public and added that they were seeking justice by holding protests peacefully.

He said that the CCTV footage of the incident captured by the camera installed in the Police Station be displayed and opined that if advocate Gokul Govardhan is at fault, he would be suspended from the Association and the Police can take legal action.

Man sentenced to seven years jail for murder

Mysuru, Jan.30 (SPN&KS)- The Fifth Additional District and Sessions Court has sentenced a man to seven years imprisonment and a fine of Rs.25,000 for murdering a man on July 27, 2014.

While the accused has been identified as Raju alias Kumar Nayak, a resident of Muneshwaranagar, the victim has been identified as Raju's neighbour Nataraju.

On July 27, 2014 night, Raju, who was drunk, was creating ruckus near the house of Nataraju which was questioned by him (Nataraju). Irked over this, Raju, who went into his house, came out with a knife and stabbed Nataraju killing him, before absconding.

Vidyaranyapuram Police, who had registered a case in this regard, had submitted a chargesheet against Raju to the Court.

Judge C.M. Joshi, who heard the arguments from both sides, found Raju guilty of the crime, sentenced Raju to seven years imprisonment and a fine of Rs.25,000 and an additional six months simple jail term if Raju fails to pay the fine.

Public Prosecutor Nagappa C. Makman argued on behalf of the Government.

Cracker blast: One succumbs to injuries in H.D.Kote Taluk

Mysuru, Jan.30- One person among the seven, who had sustained burn injuries in an accidental cracker blast that occurred at Madapura in H.D. Kote taluk last Friday, succumbed to his injuries at K.R. Hospital here yesterday.

The deceased has been identified as Harish (28) of Udbur village in Mysuru taluk.

The condition of Mallanayaka, 60, who also sustained serious burn injuries in the incident, is said to be critical.

Seven persons, who included five teenged boys, were admitted to K.R. Hospital after they sustained burn injuries in the cracker explosion that took place at an old building at Madapura on Jan.26. The building completely collapsed due to the impact of the explosion.

The crackers were being manufactured for a Temple Jathra, when the explosion took place, it is learnt.

Assembly polls: Hindu Mahasabha to contest 150 seats

Bengaluru, Jan.30- The Hindu Mahasabha will enter the poll fray in the State by contesting 150 Assembly seats in the forthcoming Assembly polls.

Mahasabha State President N. Subramanya Raju, in a press release issued here on Monday, said that the first list of the Mahasabha candidates will be released in the first week of February. Alleging that the BJP has failed on its commitment to Hindutva, Raju also accused the Siddharamaiah Government of minority appeasement.

He also lashed out at the State Government for withdrawal of cases against members of outfits such as SDPI and PFI.

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WORD OF THE DAY

Contrite

Pronunciation: adjective KAHN-tryte

Meaning: Feeling or showing sorrow and remorse for a sin or shortcoming.

Origin: A person who is contrite may have rubbed someone the wrong way and caused bruised feelings—and there is a hint about the origins of the word in that thought. Contrite came to English by way of Anglo-French from the Latin verb conterere, meaning "to grind" or "to bruise." Conterere, in turn, was formed by combining the prefix com-, meaning "with" or "together," and terere, "to rub." If you've guessed that trite is a cousin of contrite (through terere), you are correct. Other terere descendants in English include detriment and very possibly the familiar verb try.

THE ODD WORD

Exsanguine

Bloodless or anaemic.

PHRASE OF THE DAY

Preaching to the Coir

Meaning: The phrase 'Preaching to the Coir' means to commend an opinion to those who already accept it. It can be used to describe a situation where someone tries to convince you of something you already believe in.

Origin: 'Preaching to the choir' (also sometimes spelled quire) is of US origin. It clearly refers to the pointlessness of a preacher attempting to convert those who, by their presence in church, have already demonstrated their faith. The first reference we can find is from 1973. Many other references date from soon after that, which points to the phrase being coined in that year; for example, this from The Lima News, Ohio, January 1973: "He said he felt like the minister who was preaching to the choir. That is, to the people who always come to church, but not the ones who need it most."

QUOTE BOX

At the touch of love everyone becomes a poet.

— Plato

RIDDLE THIS

Answer the riddle

Answer: For instance.

SUDOKU

	4	7						
9		1			2	8		
	8				4			
5			4		1		9	3
7	2		6		9			8
			9				7	
		2	7			4		1
						5	6	

Answer to previous puzzle

5	7	2	6	9	4	8	3	1
6	9	1	5	8	3	2	7	4
4	8	3	2	1	7	5	6	9
3	4	9	8	6	1	7	5	2
1	6	7	4	5	2	9	8	3
8	2	5	3	7	9	4	1	6
2	1	4	7	3	5	6	9	8
9	5	6	1	2	8	3	4	7
7	3	8	9	4	6	1	2	5

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Concept is Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

CROSS WORD

ACROSS:

1 "Base" anagram for an Indian river?
5 Simian?
8 Sound quality or pitch
12 Emanated or emitted
13 Apple's popular tablet computer
14 As soon as possible, acronym
15 Decoration; ring, bracelet, etc.
17 Young and beautiful maiden
19 Instrument of punishment
20 Everyone separately
22 A prefix used with words like modern, sonic, etc.?
26 Outlets for admen
29 "Yes" but not in a very polite or refined way?
30 Give help or assistance
31 Ruminant mammal of South America
33 Air Transport Sys.
34 Bric-a- ___ : Miscellaneous curios
36 Shattered or gave way
38 Pacific island group
40 Utter a low cry of pain
41 Not _ _ the mark : found to be wanting, in a way?
43 Kills or bumps off
47 Promptly in pidgin English i.e. in slang? (4-4)
51 Scottish port
52 Perform or accomplish again
53 Indian mountain range
54 ___, mode or median : statistical averages?
55 "Like" suffix
56 A turnip, in slang usage?

YESTERDAY'S ANSWER:

B	L	O	B	■	T	O	R	R	■	I	V	Y
R	O	L	E	■	S	T	Y	E	■	N	O	E
I	C	E	D	■	A	R	A	D	H	A	N	A
C	H	O	L	E	R	A	■	T	A	C	■	■
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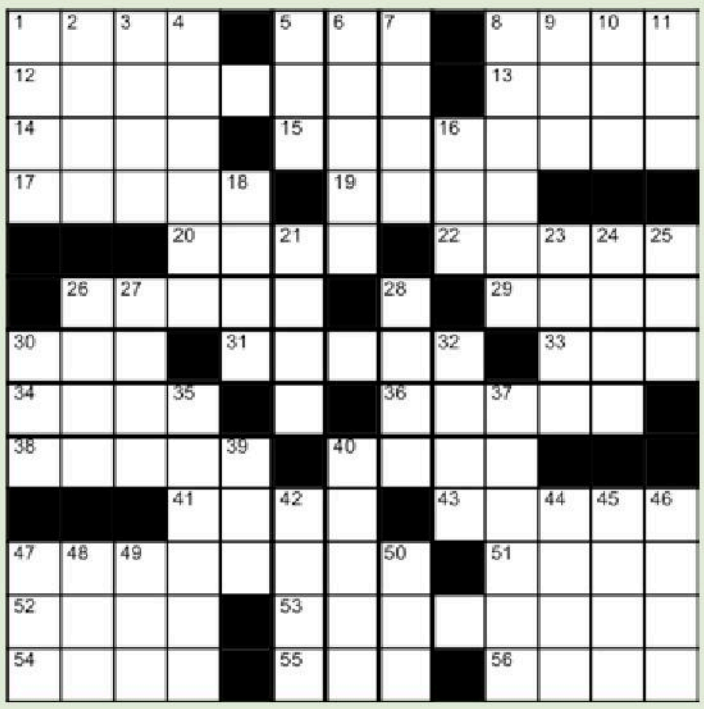
D	E	B	■	R	O	E	■	G	L	E	A	N
E	A	S	I	E	R	■	D	I	D	■	■	■
■	■	I	F	F	■	T	I	N	G	L	E	D
P	U	T	R	I	G	H	T	■	O	I	S	E
H	S	I	■	N	E	A	T	■	A	R	A	B
D	E	N	■	E	T	T	Y	■	T	A	U	T

DOWN

1 Breakfast cereal
2 Take it ____ : relax, proceed gently
3 Owner of the rib that became Eve
4 Took a little drink?
5 From _ __ z : all (1,2)
6 Pole on which the bird rests?
7 Girl's name
8 Seasonable or opportune
9 Unseal - poetically speaking!
10 "Ann" in another form, but still a girl?
11 Energy Design Technique, abbr.
16 ___ Malik : music director of Gharwali Baharwali
18 Pellets of frozen rain falling in shower
21 Sedate and unruffled
23 A very hard wood
24 Cost or price
25 American Helicopter Society
26 Renowned director ___ Nair
27 Kind of cheese
28 Boss of a shield
30 Absolute, in short
32 The first king of Phliasia
35 Ticket
37 Give ___ ___ : give for temporary use? (2,4)
39 Headache tablet
40 Othello's relatives?
42 That man from Bangkok?
44 Capable or competent
45 US college
46 Just a little bit
47 Crew Resource Mgmnt.
48 Haw's partner?
49 Room within a harem
50 An expression of disgust or belittlement



CRYPTOQUIP

The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

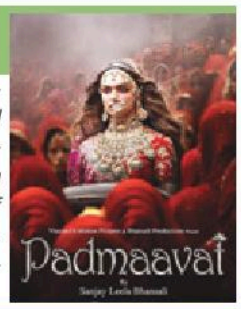
NJOORJWF RU VCF JTTRJZQF PY VDP EFPETF, PZF PY DCPN ZFSFO

OFNFNLFOU LROVCHJKU JZH VCF PVCFO DCP ZFSFO YPOWFVU VCFN.

TODAY'S CLUE: N EQUALS M

Yesterday's Cryptoquip: I am a Marxist -- of the Groucho tendency.

EDITOR'S CHOICE



PADMAAVAT *(formerly titled Padmavati) is an epic period drama film directed by Sanjay Leela Bhansali. Based on the epic poem Padmavat (1540) by Malik Muhammad Jayasi, the film narrates the story of Padmavati, a Rajput queen who committed jauhar to protect herself from Khilji. Deepika Padukone stars as Rani Padmavati, alongside Shahid Kapoor as Maharaja Rawal Ratan Singh and Ranveer Singh as Sultan Alauddin Khilji.*

NOW SHOWING

Movie	Theatre	Phone	Shows
KANNADA			
Kanaka	Shanthala	2427584	4 Shows
	Lido	2420885	4 Shows
	Thibbadevi	2452958	4 Shows
	Sterling	2481170	4 Shows
	Sri Maruthi	9980351129	4 Shows
Churikatte	Prabha	2423569	4 Shows
Raju - Kannada Medium	Sangam	2520494	4 Shows
	Saraswathi	2541451	4 Shows
Anjani Putra	Woodlands	2422871	4 Shows
Chamak	Gayathri	2443568	4 Shows
Shwethaa	Olympia	2420737	4 Shows
HINDI			
Padmaavat	Lakshmi	2443584	4 Shows
	Mahadeshwara	9900820093	4 Shows
	Balaji Deluxe	2497199	4 Shows
	Sri Nagaraj	2520490	4 Shows
Haseena	Uma	2520009	4 Shows
TELUGU			
Bhaagamathie	Padma	2521923	4 Shows
	Rajkamal	2423554	4 Shows
TAMIL			
Gulaebaghavali	Skyline	2481170	4 Shows

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Padmaavat (H-3D)	(S-1)	10.00 am, 1.10 pm
	(S-4)	3.40 pm, 6.45, 9.55 pm
Padmaavat (H)	(S-1)	6.40 pm, 9.45 pm
	(S-2)	4.15 pm
	(S-3)	1.00 pm
	(S-4)	10.00 am
Raju-Kannada Medium (K)	(S-2)	1.15 pm
	(S-3)	4.10 pm
Aadhi (Ma)	(S-2)	9.55 pm
Jumanji: Welcome to the Jungle (E-3D)	(S-2)	7.30 pm
	(S-4)	1.15 pm
Street Light (Ma)	(S-2)	10.45 am
The Post (E)	(S-1)	4.25 pm
Bhaagamathie (Te)	(S-3)	10.15am,7.15pm,9.55

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Padmaavat (H-3D)	(S-1)	11.15 am, 2.45 pm
		6.15 pm, 9.45 pm
Padmaavat (H-2D)	(S-2)	10.15 am, 1.45 pm
		5.15 pm, 8.45 pm
Raju-Kannada Medium (K)	(S-3)	10.00 am, 6.40 pm
Bhaagamathie (Te)	(S-3)	1.10 pm, 9.50 pm
Nimir (Ta)	(S-3)	4.00 pm
Kanaka (K)	(S-4)	9.50 am, 12.55 pm, 6.50 pm
Churikatte (K)	(S-4)	4.00 pm
Aadhi (Ma)	(S-4)	12.50 pm

Movie timings published here are subject to sudden change by the theatre managements. The films are also liable to be changed in multiplexes if there are no minimum audience of 15 to the film announced here.

TV TONIGHT

7:00 pm Jeet Gayi to Piyaa Morey	7:00 pm Tu Sooraj Main Saanjh Piyaji	7:30 pm Mere Sai
7:30 Aisi Deewangi...	7:30 Ye Hai Mohabbatein	8:00 Vighnaharta Ganesh
8:00 Zindagi Ki Mahek	8:00 Rishton Ka Chakravyuh	8:30 Porus
8:30 Piya Albela	8:30 Ikyawann	9:00 Rishta Likhenge Hum Naya
9:00 Kumkum Bhagya	9:00 Naamkarann	9:30 Haasil
9:30 Kundali Bhagya	9:30 Yeh Rishta Kya Kehlata Hai	10:00 Ek Deewana Tha
		10:30 Yeh Un Dinon Ki Baat Hai
5:00 pm Man Vs. Wild	6:30 pm ICC CT 2017 Hls	5:00 pm Animal Fight Club
6:00 You Have Been Warned	7:00 ISL Weekly 2017/18	6:00 Primal Survivor
7:00 How Do They Do It?	7:30 Cricket Countdown IPL 2018	7:00 Mega Transports
7:30 Fail Army	8:00 ICC U-19 CWC 2018 Hls	8:00 Africa's Hunters
8:00 Man Vs. Wild	9:00 Nz Vs Pak 2018 T20i Hls	9:00 Prime @ 9
9:00 Man Vs. Wild Reloaded	9:30 Best Of Icc - Wt20 2016	10:00 Inside India
10:00 Man Vs. Wild	10:00 The Super Kings Show 2018	10:30 Inside India
6:30 pm Oggy And The Cockroaches	6:30 pm Mahaganapathi	7:00 pm Kaveri
7:00 Bhaalu Ki Chutti	7:30 Ennu Swantham Jaani	7:30 Avalu
9:00 Teen Titans Go!	8:00 Ayalathe Sundari	8:00 Brahamhastra
9:30 Horrid Henry	8:30 Shaneeswaran	8:30 Nandini
10:00 Ben 10	9:00 Nandini	9:00 Jeevanadhi
11:00 Dragon Ball Super	9:30 Premam	9:30 Doddamane Sose
	10:00 Avaril Oraal	10:00 Sarayoo

MOVIES TONIGHT

4:16 pm Kingsman	4:58 pm Spooks	5:02 pm Skiptrace
6:51 Alice in Wonderland	6:53 Kong: Skull Island	6:53 The Jackal
8:59 Pirates of the Caribbean	9:00 Xxx: Return Of Xander Cage	9:00 Once Upon A Time In China
	11:08 Tremors 3 - Back To Perfection	
3:06 pm Heropanti	2:27 pm Beta	4:05 pm Sarkar
6:24 Main Hoon Rakshak	5:49 The Real Tiger	7:00 Teleshopping
8:55 Son Of Satyamurthy 2	8:55 Shoorveer	9:05 Krishan Avtaar
	11:38 Rowdy No 1	
5:08 pm Warcraft	4:00 pm Preethi Prema Pranaya	5:05 pm Sangili Bungili Darwaza Khol
7:28 Piranha 3D	7:00 Swabhimana	7:55 Kick
8:59 Lucy	10:00 Khadeema Kallaru	10:48 Khaidi No. 150
10:52 Hellboy II		

EVENTS TODAY (JAN.30)

Co-optex: Expo-cum sale, Co-optex premises, Narayan Shastri Road, opposite to More Mega Stores, **up to 8 pm.**

Sahara Art and Craft: Handicraft and Handloom Expo, Scouts and Guides Ground, behind DC's office, **upto 9.30 pm.**

Sri Raghavendraswamy Seva Samiti, Jayalakshmipuram: Discourse on 'Mahabharat' by Pt. Sri Vijayindracharya, Raghavendraswamy Mutt premises, Jayalakshmipuram, **5 pm to 6.30 pm.**

Kala Sandesha Prathisthana and Sankeerthana Sabha: Kalabhivardhana-2018, 'Kanakadasa's Mohana Tarangini' Gamaka Rupaka by Vid. K. Ramachandra, Dr. Jyothi Shankar (including Concept & Direction), Vidu. Annapurna Nagendra, Vidu. Vasantha Venkatesh, Vidu. Dharithri Anandarao, Vidu. Sathyalakshmi Ananthapadmanabha; Violin: Vid. Tandavamurthy, Tabla: Vid. Kumar, Ganapathi Temple, Ramakrishnanagar I-Block, **6 pm.**

Abhiyenthararu: National Theatre Festival commemorating Silver Jubilee celebrations, well-known Theatre & Film Director M.S. Sathyu inaugurates, National School of Drama (NSD) Director C. Basavalingaiah and Karnataka Nataka Academy Chairman J. Lokesh will be present, Kalamandira, **6 pm;** Staging of play 'Moog Masala' by Kriyative India Limited, Kalamandira, **7 pm.**

Sri Vokkaligeshwaraswamy Temple, Mandi Mohalla: 44th annual Linga Pratishtapana Mahotsava, discourse by Sadashiva Guruji, Temple premises, **6.30 pm to 8 pm.**

Sri Tyagaraja Sangeetha Sabha Charitable Trust: Vocal recital by Vid. B.N.S. Murali, accompanied by Vid. C.N. Tyagaraju on violin, Vid. Kanchana Eshwar Bhat on mridanga and Vid. Raghunandana Rao on ghata, Varasiddhi Vinayaka Temple, Vijayanagar, **6.30 pm.**

EVENTS TOMORROW (JAN.31)

Indira Gandhi Rashtriya Manav Sangrahalaya (IGRMS): Exhibit of the Month - Lakkhi - Pencha, a decorative wooden object resembling an owl, Wellington House, Irwin Road, **10 onwards.**

Co-optex: Expo-cum sale, Co-optex premises, Narayan Shastri Road, opposite to More Mega Stores, **10 am to 8 pm.**

Department of Studies in Biotechnology, Microbiology and Biochemistry, Pooja Bhagavat Memorial Mahajana Education Centre and Karnataka Renewable Energy Department Ltd. (KREDL): Workshop on 'Renewable Energy and Energy Conservation,' Mahajana PG Centre Director Dr. C.K. Renukarya inaugurates, KREDL Project Engineer D.K. Dinesh Kumar lead speaker, Mahajana Education Society President R. Vasudevamurthy will be present, PG auditorium, BT Block, **10.15 am.**

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Kala Sandesha Prathisthana: Kalabhivardhana-2018, conferring 'Natya Kalottunga Award' on *Padma Bhushan* and Akademi Ratna Dr. Kanak Rele, acclaimed Mohiniyattam danseuse. Swami Athmajnanandaji, President, Sri Ramakrishna Ashrama, graces the occasion; Prof. George S. Paul, Senior Art Critic, Kerala, chief guest; Karnataka Kala Tilaka Dr. Vasundhara Doraswamy presides, **5.30 pm;** Mohiniyattam performance by Dr. Kanak Rele and her disciple Saji Menon, Ustad Bismillah Khan Yuva Puraskar Awardee, accompanied on nattuvanga by Vid. C. Gopala Krishnan, vocal by Vid. M.S. Gireesan, mridanga by Vid. Dakshinamurthy Pillai, edakka by Vid. Nanda Kumar and violin on Vid. Narayana, Jaganmohan Palace auditorium, **7 pm.**

Abhiyenthararu: National Theatre Festival commemorating Silver Jubilee celebrations, theatrical dance performance 'Karuppu' by Indianostrum theatre-Pondicherry, Kalamandira, **7 pm.**

PERFORMANCE: 'Karuppu' by Indianostrum theatre, Pondicherry

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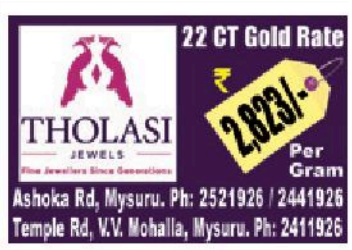

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